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## Professor discusses families

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The state of the black family was discussed Tuesday in the second installment of the Black History Month Luncheon Series. The lunch series will be conducted throughout the month of February and is being sponsored by The Johns Hopkins Black Student Union [BSU]. The coordinator for the series is senior Shirine Blagrove, who has been an active member of the BSU for the last four years.

In a discussion over lunch, Morgan State University professor Dr. Robert Hill discussed the current state of the African-American family. Dr. Hill is the director of the Institute of Urban Research. He has also worked as part of the faculties of such prestigious universities as the University of Pennsylvania and Princeton University.

Dr. Hill has authored several texts that discuss the state of African-American families. The texts *The Strengths of the Black Family*, written in 1977, and *The Strengths of the Black Family: Twenty Five Years Later* document Dr. Hill's theories concerning the African-American family. Dr. Hill added that his texts are written for the young to learn more about the black family within American society.

"I want to contribute new knowledge," stated Dr. Hill in response to why he chose to tackle the issue of black families.

Dr. Hill's central argument focused on the strengths, not the weaknesses of black families.

"There is an overemphasis on weakness in the black family," stated Dr. Hill "and no emphasis on strength. If you read articles or watch television, you only see negative images of the black family. We are

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## Meningitis vaccines now available at JHU

BY GRETCHEN V. PORTER  
News-Letter Staff

Meningitis vaccines are becoming more available on college campuses. At Hopkins close to fifty students have already made the decision to get immunized.

The University, upon the advice of the American College Health Association (ACHA), had made the vaccine available to those who want it.

"The vaccine has been available for a few years, but has not been commonly used," remarked Dr. Sam Parrish, Director of Student Health and Wellness. "It's in the last two years that there have been small outbreaks of meningitis, so we [representatives of the ACHA and area colleges] sat down and decided to recommend the vaccine by the beginning of the spring semester."

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Meningitis, a bacterial infection that tends to colonize in the throat and nasal airways, is highly contagious, and sometimes fatal.

"Among the meningitis cases, about 12 percent are fatal ones—this is according to national data," Dr. Parrish added, "It can be spread by droplets through sneezing and coughing."

The virus can only live outside the body for a number of hours.

It is nevertheless highly communicable, and when it does strike, so does panic.

"This scares people in the community—they get hysterical, especially when something unfortunate happens as when a healthy person dies—that really gets their attention," Dr. Parrish said. "What we want people to understand is that if they feel sick, we want them to come and see us, but what we really want is to prevent them from getting sick."

Meningitis bacteria tend to attack the brain and spinal cord, and occasionally the bloodstream.

Symptoms of meningitis include severe headaches, typical cold symptoms, neck stiffness, high fever and weakness.

One may also find it difficult to think clearly and may feel disoriented at times. Such cases usually indicate a more advanced stage of the disease, which needs to be treated aggressively with antibiotics.

"If the disease is detected early, it's fairly curable, but if someone waits several days before seeking medical attention, then this person will become critically ill," Parrish

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1998 Symposium Chairs Robert Fisher and Omar Khan are planning to draw speakers to campus.

## '98 series planned

BY AMANDA DRUCKMAN  
News-Letter Staff

Robert Fisher and Omar Khan, 1998 co-chairs of the MSE Symposium, have begun formulating a list of speakers for their topic, "Who Are We? A Question of Identity."

Fisher and Khan would like the speakers who do come to Hopkins to address subjects such as philanthropy, altruism, technology, and legal culture as they relate to the symposium topic.

Fisher and Khan have not formally released the names of next year's speakers.

"The main idea of this year's symposium," said Fisher, "is how does one culture see themselves, and how this culture may be viewed by others. This isn't necessarily about an American identity."

Khan said he hopes the 1998 MSE Symposium can build on the success of last year's event. Unlike previous MSE Symposia, the 1998 series will feature special events, such as a technology fair, to accompany each speaker. Fisher says that he and Khan

feel this will help people "get interested and thinking about the topic."

"We want to focus on publicity and encompassing the community more so than last year. This event is for not only the students of Hopkins, but for the city of Baltimore as well. We want to get more area colleges and high schools involved to make this more than just a lecture series," Khan said.

"Because of the magnitude of the MSE, we wanted our topic to cover a large spectrum. Many can address this topic. It's a huge issue for the next century. It can be examined from many different points of view," Fisher said.

Fisher and Khan felt that the rigorous process that COLA required of all applicants actually put them

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## Selection questions linger

BY AMANDA DRUCKMAN  
News-Letter Staff

The appointment of Robert Fisher and Omar Khan as co-chairs of the 1998 MSE Symposium has some students concerned that the selection process was flawed since Fisher and Khan are the third pair of Sigma Alpha Mu brothers chosen to head the Symposium in as many years.

Each year, the Committee on Leadership Appointments (COLA) selects MSE Symposium chairs. COLA is a Student Council subcommittee

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## Cardin lectures

BY JULIE B. MALLINGER  
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Iraq's September 1990 invasion of Kuwait led the U.S. to begin to reassess its role in world politics. The result of this has been an increase in American interventionist policies. However, recent congressional attempts to decrease U.S. international intervention has raised questions as to the direction of American foreign policy.

The 1998 Johns Hopkins Symposium on Foreign Affairs, titled "Superpower or Supercop? America's Response to the New World Order," has scheduled ten speakers who will address America's position as isolationist or interventionist in the post-Cold War international system.

The first lecture of the series, featuring Maryland Congressman Ben Cardin, took place on Wednesday, February 11. Cardin currently represents Maryland's Third Congressional District, as well as serving as a member of the Commission of Security and Cooperation in Europe, and the House's Ways and Means Committee and Health Subcommittee.

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The focus of Cardin's lecture was towards clarifying the reasons that he believes speak to the necessity of US interventionist policy. It is in the US's best interest, Cardin said, to be more aggressive in world affairs, although he added that the recent trend of Congress has been to become less aggressive. "We are directly affected by what happens in the rest of the world: economically, militarily, environmentally, and politically," Cardin stressed throughout his presentation.

Cardin pointed to several specific contemporary problems that he believes include US interests and require US support to solve. These include Asia's financial problems, the threat of international terrorism, drug trafficking to the US, and environmental concerns, such as global warming, which necessitate international cooperation to solve.

In light of these individual problems

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Ben Cardin opened the Symposium on Foreign Affairs on Wednesday.

## Alumni return for Career Symposium

BY WAQAR HASIB  
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Six Hopkins alumni spoke to a gathering of about 40 students Tuesday night as part of the 1998 Career Symposium.

The meeting, organized by the Office of Career Planning and Development and the Second Decade Society, was the second of six sessions which are intended to ease the transition from college to the workforce.

Each speaker represented a particular sector of the financial world, ranging from a bond trader for a local investment bank to the treasurer of a major global telecommunications firm.

They spoke about their current positions and how they got there, as well as elaborating on some of the skills a recent graduate interested in a career in finance might need to enter the job market.

Ross Margolies ('80), managing director at Salomon-Smith Barney, said, "as someone who didn't have these opportunities when I was here, I'm really gratified to know that you all have this symposium."

Chris Ogenski ('92), the youngest of the alumni, described his duties as a municipal bonds trader for Bankers Trust-Alexander Brown in Baltimore.

Ogenski is the head southeast trader, covering all states south of Maryland and east of Texas. "My responsibility is to make a market in those regions for any municipal bond that comes across our desk," he said. Ogenski impressed the audience with his account of the fast-paced lifestyle on the trading floor.

"The bond market never officially closes," he said with a grin, adding that at times he finds himself dealing with clients on two phones at once while punching numbers into his Bloomberg computer terminal. "It's not an office atmosphere. There's a lot of yelling and screaming."

Florence Long Walsh ('84) spoke about her less frenetic but equally demanding position as vice presi-



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The latest Career Symposium featured JHU alums speaking on jobs in the world of finance.

dent and treasurer of Lucent Technologies, a spin-off firm of telecommunications giant AT&T that develops and markets cellular network systems.

Unlike Ogenski, who went straight into investment banking after getting his degree, Walsh experimented in various fields before settling down in corporate finance.

She even took a year off between her junior and senior years to gain some work experience at a bank in downtown Baltimore.

"I started by answering phones at T. Rowe Price," she said, but admitted that even after getting an MBA from Wharton she was not sure what career she wanted to pursue.

She spent five years in a "rotating program" at General Motors, working for one year each in five different departments of the company, including foreign exchange and mergers/acquisitions.

She was then hired by AT&T as an

assistant treasurer, before being promoted to her current position at Lucent.

"Anything that could be a risk to the company, I have to manage it," said Walsh of her job description.

She also said that while most entry-level jobs are for specific industry analysts, later on in life leadership and organization skills are paramount.

Steven Richman ('79), managing director for East Side Capital Corporation, an asset management firm, offered some advice to anxious job seekers. "It doesn't really matter what the first job is," he reassured the audience. "All experiences are relevant what's important is what you learn from those experiences."

Richman started as a legal analyst for the oil industry, but founded the East Side Capital Corporation in 1993. He said it was not difficult to move between the investment banking and corporate finance worlds.

April Moreno ('76), a trust officer for the First National Bank of Maryland, listed some of the skills she looks for in potential employees.

"You want to be computer-fluent, no matter what. Knowing how to write is really important, too," Moreno said.

Richman and Ogenski both cited several night courses in finance offered by Hopkins that helped them in their careers.

Richman added, "I took a statistics class. I got a C," but found the skills useful nonetheless.

The general consensus among the speakers was that today's graduates will find a wide range of opportunities thanks to the surging U.S. economy.

"Interest rates are low," said Mark Greenberg ('80), president of Equity Mortgage, meaning that high demand for refinancing mortgages has opened a wealth of opportunities in his industry.



# NATIONAL & WORLD

## Tibet report tells of mass beatings

BY ELAINE KURTENBACH  
Associated Press

BEIJING—In a once-secret 1962 report that led to his downfall, Tibet's highest spiritual leader described Chinese-orchestrated famines, executions and mass beatings of Tibetans—including his own father.

The Panchen Lama's report is being released in full for the first time Thursday by the Tibet Information Network, a London-based watchdog group.

The report, known in China as the "70,000 Character Petition," apparently circulated in China's top echelons for decades until a copy was delivered anonymously to the group in October 1996. Its authenticity could not be independently confirmed, and Chinese officials refused comment.

The Panchen Lama, who became the highest Buddhist figure in Tibet when the Dalai Lama fled after a failed uprising in 1959, was considered an ally by China's communist leaders, unlike most of his fellow Buddhist clerics.

But the Panchen Lama's special status disintegrated after he wrote the report, and Mao Tse-tung placed him under house arrest in Beijing for 14 years.

Tensions between the devoutly Buddhist Tibetans and their communist Chinese rulers persist today.

Three American religious leaders on a fact-finding mission in China are scheduled to visit the Tibetan capital, Lhasa, later this month to look into concerns about religious freedom.

Chinese policies were a "threat to the continued existence of the Tibetan nationality, which is sinking into a state close to death," the Panchen

Lama wrote in 1962, 12 years into Chinese rule over the Himalayan region.

"It was quite natural that every member of the (Tibetan) nationality, on seeing and hearing about this situation, had unendurable feelings of bitterness and sadness," the report said.

China adamantly defends its current policies in Tibet, although it has acknowledged mistakes in the past, particularly during the 1966-76 Cultural Revolution, the high tide of its persecution of religious believers.

The report said that farm policies launched during the 1958 Great Leap Forward, which caused 30 million deaths throughout China, continued in Tibet long after they were stopped elsewhere.

During the Great Leap, China's farmers were forced to pool their possessions, farm communally and turn all land, suitable or not, to grain cultivation. Such policies were particularly catastrophic for Tibetans, traditionally nomadic herders of livestock.

The report said that from 1959-1961, almost all animal husbandry stopped and personal food reserves of Tibetan nomads were confiscated. People subsisted on small grain rations, grass, leaves and tree bark, it said.

"In many parts of Tibet, people have starved to death.... In some places, whole families have perished and the death rate is very high," the Panchen Lama wrote. "This is very abnormal, horrible and grave."

The Panchen Lama protested the arrests and collective punishment of tens of thousands of Tibetans following the 1959 uprising.

He said people were executed

whose relatives took part in the rebellion and that political prisoners were subjected to fatally cruel prison conditions.

The Panchen Lama wrote that his father was subjected to "public confrontation and fierce beating" after he attempted to apologize for having been a landlord.

Only 70 of Tibet's 2,500 Buddhist monasteries remained by 1962, and 93 percent of their residents had been forced out, he said.

"If the language, clothes and customs of a nationality are taken away, then that nationality will vanish," he wrote.

China began relaxing controls over Tibet in the late 1970s, and has rebuilt monasteries and tried to alleviate poverty in an attempt to undo some of the damage wrought during the previous two decades.

The Panchen Lama's status was not fully restored until 1988—a year before he died.

The report could lead to a reappraisal of the Panchen Lama by those who believed he did too little to defend his fellow Tibetans, said Barry Saltman, an expert on Tibet at Hong Kong's University of Science and Technology.

"Both the Tibetans and Beijing sometimes viewed him as an enemy and sometimes as a friend," he said.

His legacy remains controversial. Communist Party rulers forced Tibet's Buddhist clergy to reject a 6-year-old boy the Dalai Lama named as the Panchen Lama's reincarnation in 1995.

They hope that another child who they have chosen as the new Panchen Lama will help them win the allegiance of Tibetans.

## Dems comment on Lewinsky case

BY RON FOURNIER  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON—If you want to make Democratic candidates squirm, ask if they want President Clinton's help on the campaign trail.

Many will hem and haw, stall for time or dodge the subject. Some just won't answer.

Interviews with candidates and Democratic leaders around the country reveal strong undercurrents of anxiety: Despite the president's high poll numbers, party leaders fear the Monica Lewinsky controversy could haunt them in November's elections and make it harder to recruit candidates.

"It has had a very chilling effect on candidates running for office," said Philip Perington, chairman of the Colorado Democratic Party. His problem is double-barreled: Democratic Gov. Roy Romer, who is married, admitted last week to a "very affectionate relationship" with a former aide.

Republicans are wary of the issue, too.

They want to capitalize on Clinton's woes without appearing mean-spirited. So far, the GOP strategy has been to question the president's integrity on a wide range of issues, not just his sex life.

Few Democrats have linked the Lewinsky matter to their decisions not to run, but a handful of top-tier candidates have pulled out since the scandal broke.

Leon Panetta, former White House chief of staff, said the controversy "established another challenge" in his potential bid for governor of California. He decided not to run.

Two highly touted Georgia Democrats announced in late January that they would not challenge vulnerable GOP congressmen. John Ellington and David Bell did not blame the Lewinsky matter for their decisions, but the timing still raised eyebrows.

"They were the first casualty of the Clinton scandal," said Charles Bullock, political science professor at the University of Georgia in Atlanta. Republicans also point to Mike Dugan, a district attorney from Oregon who decided Feb. 2 not to run against Republican Rep. Bob Smith.

"In politics, the greatest level of fear is the fear of the unknown," said Ed Brookover, political director at the Republican National Congressional Committee. The next test of the controversy's impact will be in Ohio and Pennsylvania, where candidate filing deadlines are coming up.

Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said the controversy is having "virtually no effect" on recruitment. "We have continued to recruit very good candidates," he said.

Indeed, A-list Democrats such as Patrick Casey in Pennsylvania, Glenn Jernigan in North Carolina, Joe Turnham in Alabama, Chris Gorman in Kentucky and Phil Maloof in New Mexico took steps to challenge House Republicans since Lewinsky's allegations surfaced. They fretted about the impact of Clinton's troubles but gambled that voters will keep their focus on local issues.

Still, some Democratic candidates worry about the controversy's impact—especially if the news for Clinton worsens.

"If there's an earthquake in Washington, you feel the tremors here in Alabama," said Turnham, who is planning to run against GOP freshman Rep. Robert Riley.

At the very least, many officials predict a brutish, personal campaign that could scare off Republican and Democratic candidates alike. "I have to wonder, do I want the world to know my deepest, darkest secrets?" Turnham said.

GOP consultants, for their part, say they will urge their clients this fall to attack Democratic candidates who they think go too far to support the president. That may help explain the hesitance within Democratic ranks.

Perington, the Colorado chairman who voiced disenchantment with both Romer and Clinton, hesitated when asked if he believed the president's denials of an extramarital affair and cover-up. "I can't go down that road," he said. "I don't know. I'm not in Washington."

Casey, son of the popular former Pennsylvania governor, talked about "unanswered questions." Turnham said he was "extremely concerned" about the allegations. With a sense of doubt, Jernigan said,

"It would be my hope that they are only allegations."

Do they want Clinton to campaign for them?

"We haven't discussed it," Turnham said.

"I'm not going to answer that," said Gorman.

Mike Taylor, running against Jernigan in a North Carolina Democratic primary, anguished over the question for several minutes, mixing awkward pauses with half-finished sentences, before finally answering, "I don't mean to dodge your question, but I'm really trying to run on my own merits."

What Democrats across the country are saying about the Monica Lewinsky controversy:

"One way to stop it: Don't do it." Colorado Democratic Party Chairman Philip Perington, on his advice to candidates who want to avoid a similar controversies. "I keep telling these guys, 'You're stepping to a higher level.'"

"I'm not comfortable with the allegations and the perception of what has been done, and it would be my hope that they are only allegations." Glenn Jernigan, candidate for U.S. House from North Carolina.

"Obviously, the developments in Washington established another challenge that I'd have to confront." Former White House chief of staff Leon Panetta, announcing his decision not to run for governor of California.

## Hospitals get guidelines

BY ALICE ANN LOVE  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON—The government gave the nation's hospitals new voluntary guidelines intended to help them prevent Medicare fraud.

"The federal government cannot solve fraud and abuse problems alone," June Gibbs Brown, inspector general of the Health and Human Services Department, said Wednesday.

The department has recommended, among other things, that hospitals discovering credible evidence of fraud within their walls report it to federal authorities within 60 days.

"Hospitals are not bound by law to follow the new guidelines," Brown said. "But those that don't may face stiffer penalties if they are ever accused of misconduct."

"I think it would be wise ... for anyone in the hospital business to familiarize themselves with this," said Brown.

More than 4,700 hospitals have been targeted by federal investigators since President Clinton announced a crackdown on Medicare fraud about three years ago.

In the most notable case, three managers of the nation's largest hospital chain, Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp., have been in-

dicted in Florida on charges they overcharged the health care program for the elderly by at least \$1.8 million.

They have pleaded innocent. The American Hospital Association has complained the anti-fraud campaign is too aggressive.

Institutions that have made honest mistakes while trying to follow Medicare's complex billing rules have been threatened by the government with prosecution and high fines unless they agree to settle up, said the AHA legal counsel, Mary Grealy.

"There may be inappropriate payments, but I just don't think hospitals are systematically engaging in fraud," Grealy said.

While the AHA will urge hospitals to adopt the new preventive guidelines, Grealy noted that will not help hospitals still fighting challenges to their past behavior.

The association sent 2,300 hospital administrators to Capitol Hill last week to lobby lawmakers for additional relief.

They are asking that the government be required to prove more definitively that improper Medicare bills were intentional and they are seeking more-limited penalties against health care companies prosecuted under the federal False Claims Act.

## Mexico expels woman

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY—The government has expelled a North Carolina woman who is accused of participating in a march supporting Zapatista rebels—an apparent warning to foreigners to avoid meddling in Mexican politics.

The Interior Ministry said Maria Bullitt Darlington was put on a plane for the United States from Mexico City on Tuesday night.

It said videotapes showed that Darlington had taken part in a pro-Zapatista march in April, violating the terms of her tourist visa.

Acquaintances said the woman had gone to an immigration office in San Cristobal de las Casas in the southern state of Chiapas at midday Tuesday in response to an official request.

They said she was from the Raleigh, N.C., area but there was no answer at her telephone there Wednesday.

Mexico has expelled several foreigners it accuses of political activities in Chiapas.

## Indonesia heeds advice of Hopkins economist

Following the advice of his newest economic advisor, Indonesian President Suharto plans to peg his battered currency, the rupiah, to the U.S. dollar. The advisor, Johns Hopkins economist Steven Hanke, believes a fixed currency would "strengthen the rupiah to a level where most Indonesian companies are solvent again." Hanke's proposal is far from popular in Indonesia where, according to *The Wall Street Journal*, many feel that the country's economic crisis won't disappear until Suharto does. But reports from government officials indicate that Suharto favors Hanke's plan and may begin implementing it within the next few weeks.

## Organ construction

Work continues in Peabody's North Hall to assemble a giant 26-foot-tall organ. Four specialists are working nearly 12 hours a day, 7 days a week, to piece together the musical instrument, expected to be unveiled sometime in the next month. It contains nearly 3,000 pipes and was specially designed for Peabody by an organ-building firm in Cleveland for \$668,000.

## Wheat germ can combat pimples

Johns Hopkins researchers have identified certain foods that may help some people feel better when they look in the mirror every morning. Recent studies indicate that sweet potatoes can help skin complexion look vibrant, and consuming wheat germ helps reduce acne. Cinnamon, spinach, honey and Brazil nuts, among others, can help combat depression.

## New Philadelphia schools apply Hopkins reading program

The Philadelphia Board of Education approved a plan that will open

eleven charter schools, publicly funded schools operated by private groups. Several of the new schools are expected to use the "Success for All" reading program, developed at Johns Hopkins. Included are a bilingual education school, a math/science oriented school and a school that focuses on African culture.

## Orioles' Davis rebounds from cancer

Last summer, Johns Hopkins doctors removed a fist-sized tumor from the colon of Baltimore outfielder Eric Davis. Last week, with spring training a few days away, Davis told *The Washington Post* he is ready to play for the entire season.

Davis gained national attention during last year's baseball playoffs,

when he hit a home run just hours after undergoing chemotherapy.

## Teenage cigar smokers cause concern

The Federal Trade Commission has ordered the nation's five largest cigar manufacturers to reveal details of their advertising budgets after a recent study reported that 27 percent of U.S. teenagers had smoke a cigar at least once. Norman Sharp, president of the Cigar Association of America, said that if there had been an increase in teenage cigar smokers, it was not because of targeted advertising.

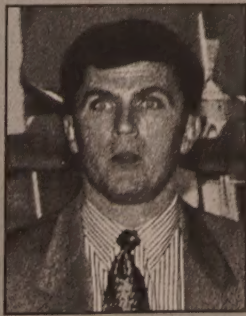
"The industry does not market to kids," he clarified in an interview with *The Washington Post*.

## ERRATA

The following error appeared in the February 5, 1998 edition of *The Johns Hopkins News-Letter*:

- Congressman Robert Ehrlich, pictured at left, was misidentified on Page A1 of the February 5, 1998 edition of the *News-Letter* due to a reporting error.
- On Page A1, all references to the Manekin Corporation were misspelled.

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## NEWS

# Books sold on-line

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Hopkins students can now purchase select used books at lower prices than the bookstore offers, thanks to a new web page designed by four students. Located at [www.jhu.edu/~booksale](http://www.jhu.edu/~booksale), the page begins with the following passage: "Starting Spring '98... Hopkins students will no longer face the exploitative pricing policy of the Gilman Monopoly. Don't sell your books for pennies when you can get a fair price here!"

It's called The Hopkins Book Trade.

"Everybody called it my manifesto," said Alex Yuan, who conceived of the project for Professor Leu Beach's Internet class.

"I'm a senior, and I'm pissed after all these years of getting ripped off at the bookstore in Gilman," Yuan said.

The bookstore's policy is to buy back used books from students at 50 percent of the original price, said Paul Lynch, manager of the Barnes & Noble Bookstore in the basement of Gilman Hall. But that's only if the book will be used again by another class in the following semester. The bookstore may give just a few dollars or nothing at all for books that won't be used again. If the book is reusable, the bookstore then resells it at 75 percent of the original price.

Yuan feels that students selling books should have the opportunity to make more money, and students buying books should see a price that competes with the bookstore's rates.

"I wanted people to be able to buy used books from each other so they could save money," he said. "Big universities have competing bookstores," Yuan said. "Barnes & Noble has a monopoly at Hopkins." So when students in Beach's class had to design web pages, Yuan wanted his group to create a page where Hopkins students could buy, sell and trade their used textbooks. "The only thing I'll take credit for is pushing them to do it," Yuan said. "Everybody worked together on it."

"Everybody" includes sophomores Stanley Wooh and Katie Wan, junior Charles Lu, and Yuan, himself.

The website became a university project when junior Teddy Chao,

Homewood Student Affairs Committee Chair, got involved. "We wanted to create an alternate venue for selling books," he said. Chao also cited "high prices and no competition toward Barnes & Noble" as reasons for the project.

Lynch says he doesn't know if the idea is a good one. "Since I haven't seen it [the web page] at all, it's hard to say [if it will work]," he said. "I can see a lot of problems with it in terms of buying and selling the right books for people's needs." Lynch explained that if students neglect to advertise the edition or volume number of a book, the purchaser may find that they purchased the wrong title. "I'm wondering if the editions are clarified," he said.

Incidentally, the website allows anyone to search by course number, book title, the seller's name, e-mail address, or phone number. The edition numbers are not posted. Nevertheless, the used book prices that appear on the site tend to be cheaper than the bookstore's used book prices.

"I think it holds up with the principles of economics of perfect competition," said freshman Tapan Tailor. "Both the buyer and seller win."

Chao said he likes the idea and thinks it is worthwhile for the students. "I hope the school decides to fund it next year so that it will become an ongoing thing," he said.

Larry Benedict, Dean of Student Affairs, said he doesn't know where the project will go in the future. "There's nothing wrong with a little entrepreneurial activity," he said. "But I don't think it's on our list of priorities right now. I think it's a very good idea."

Lynch denied the suggestion that a successful On-line Book Trade will hurt the bookstore's business. "I don't think it would have a big impact, but it would have an effect," Lynch said.

Benedict agreed. "Barnes & Noble has been on campus for 20 years, and we [the university] have a very good relationship with them," he said. "I don't think used book sales will have a big impact on their business," he said.

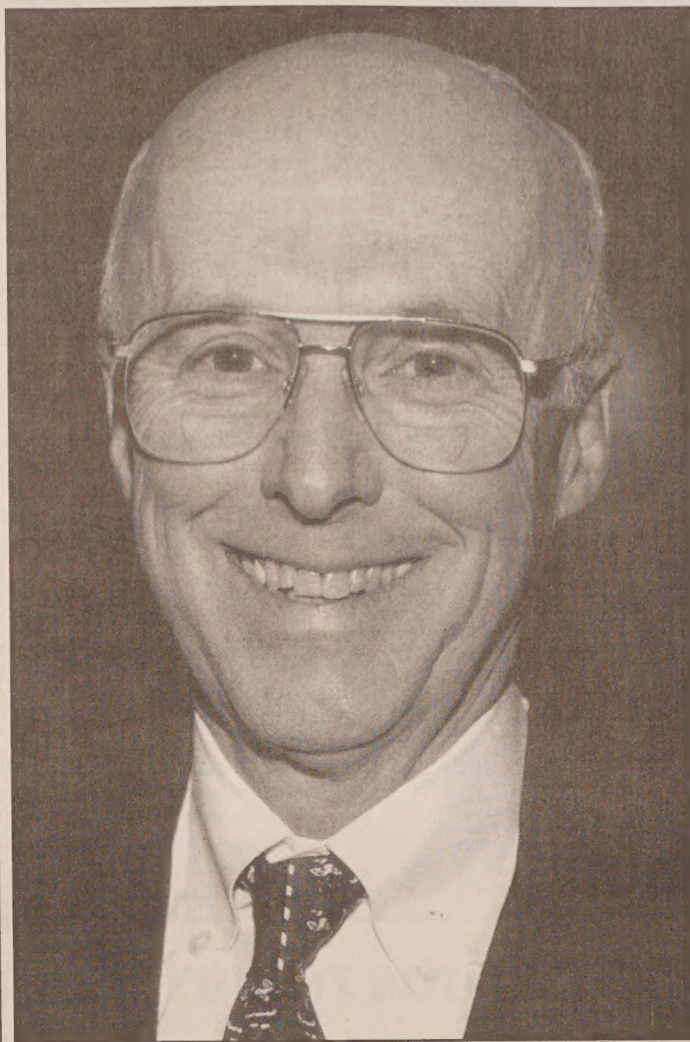
In addition to the website, Chao explained, there will be a book sale on Friday from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Glass Pavilion.

"We're selling old textbooks and lost books that were submitted to security," he said. "It'll be sort of a bazaar format."

And how did Yuan, Wan, Wooh and Lu fare on the project? "Beach loved it," said Yuan. "We got an 'A.'"

# Vice President retires after 37 years

*Ross Jones leaves his position for retirement but will work in Development part-time*



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**Ross Jones will retire on June 30 after 37 years with the university. He has worked with six Hopkins presidents and five chairmen of the board of trustees during his long career.**

BY MICHAEL B. MILLER  
News-Letter Staff

Ross Jones, University Vice President, Secretary, and Executive Assistant to the President, has announced that he will be retiring on June 30, 1998.

Retirement comes after thirty-seven years of service to the Johns Hopkins community.

Ross Jones began his long association with Johns Hopkins in 1949 when he entered the school as an undergraduate.

After his graduation in 1953, Jones spent eight years away from Hopkins.

A former *News-Letter* co-editor, Jones spent some of this time as a newspaper reporter.

"I always liked journalism," ex-

plained Jones.

He also spent some time in the army.

From 1958 to 1961 Jones worked in public relations for Columbia University.

He returned to Hopkins in 1961 as assistant to president Milton S. Eisenhower.

Jones was elected secretary of the board of trustees in 1963, secretary of the university in 1965, and vice president in 1968.

His work in community relations led to the formation of the Greater Homewood Community Corporation in the '60's and, more recently, to the Greater Homewood Renaissance revitalization effort.

For many years in his position as vice president, Jones was responsible for public affairs for the central administration.

His current duties range from keeping in touch with alumni to assisting President Brody, with a wide variety of things in between.

In addition to President Milton Eisenhower, he has worked with university Presidents Lincoln Gordon, Steven Muller, William C. Richardson, Daniel Nathans, and William Brody—six university presidents in total.

Jones, now 66 years old, is planning a life with both more time and flexibility after his June 30 retirement.

"People say that you know when it's time to retire, and I certainly do," said Ross Jones regarding the reasons for his retirement.

When asked about the rewards of his job, Jones said, "Without a doubt the most rewarding thing is getting to know and working with the many different people at Hopkins."

Jones worked with six presidents of the university and five chairmen of the board of trustees and remarked that he has "learned a lot from each of them and admired the enormous commitment they had for Johns Hopkins."

Jones elaborated on his job, "Hopkins is very decentralized... few people are privileged to see the whole

place."

Jones indeed got to work with every aspect of the university during his tenure, and he stressed that this will be one of the things that he will miss greatly.

"I do have a chance to see some students, and I'll miss that too," Jones continued.

Jerome D. Schnydmann, former director of alumni relations, will take over Jones's position as executive assistant to the president.

He moved to the president's office on February 1, 1998 to begin working with Jones and President Brody.

In May, President Brody will recommend Schnydmann for the position of secretary of The Johns Hopkins University, Jones's former position, which is responsible for the trustees office.

Schnydmann graduated from Hopkins in 1967.

He worked for 11 years as the director of undergraduate admissions prior to his work with the Alumni Relations Office.

*"Without a doubt the most rewarding thing is getting to know and working with the many different people at Hopkins."*

—ROSS JONES

Even in his retirement, Ross Jones will continue to serve Johns Hopkins.

After a respite over the summer, Jones will resume working for the university part-time.

Jones will be working in the Development Office.

He will be helping to keep donors informed of changes at Hopkins and how gifts to the university are being used.



# The Sisters of Phi Mu welcome the Phi Class of 1998



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## NEWS

## Student Council Attendance, February 11, 1998

Executive Officers		
President Matthew E. Scherneck	467-7828	Present
VP Institutional Relations Damien Newton	662-1247	Present
VP Administration Parag Parekh	662-0875	Present
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Class of 1998		
President Duncan Belser III	467-6153	Present
Vice President Robert E. Mittendorf II	467-8940	Present
Secretary/ Treasurer Chika Hayashi	467-5375	Present
Representative Jim Kim	516-3911	Present
Representative Monet McCorvey	467-9755	Present
Representative Ron Mendelow		Present
Class of 1999		
President Sonal Agarwal	516-3909	Present
Vice President Puneet Chopra	516-2778	Present
Secretary/ Treasurer Shar Tavakoli	516-2662	Present
Representative Teddy Chao	516-2272	Present
Representative Ed Hosono	516-3554	Present
Representative Nick Khatri	366-2865	Present
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Representative Daniel Shapero	516-3121	Present
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Secretary/Treasurer Ramesh Singa	516-5692	Present
Representative Eva Chen	516-5894	Present
Representative Anne Jefferson	516-5631	Present

# Council debates physics BS degree, undergrad TAs

Representatives point out advantages of bachelor of science

BY DIMITRI VARMAZIS  
News-Letter Staff

The third Student Council meeting of the semester met on February 11 and accomplished what Council President Matthew Scherneck described as the "most significant work done in the Council so far."

The issue up for debate was whether or not the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences should integrate a Bachelor of Sciences degree into the curriculum.

Bob Mittendorf spearheaded the effort to pass the BS degree resolution.

He noted that "the Student Body overwhelmingly supports having a BS degree in physics and other majors. There are numerous employers that told us having a BS is much more advantageous [than having a BA] as far as getting a job."

Much data was compiled on the issue, consisting of a comparison of Hopkins' curriculum with that of other national universities, as well as a survey of 208 students and a list of employment data.

Ankit Patel, one of the chief investigators of the proposal, commented that "having a BS in all majors is heavily supported by the faculty, as well as a two-track BA/BS program. In fact, 86 percent of the students surveyed are in favor of it."

*"Will employers tend to hire them when they have a BA and a BS is required? The answer is no."*

—GANESH KAMATH

Another investigator, Ganesh Kamath, reminded the Council that "all students have when they enter the job market is a degree. Will employers tend to hire them when they have a BA and a BS is required? The answer is no."

To add to the evidence showing that a BA is insufficient in the job

market, employers like Johnson & Johnson were surveyed and an often repeated comment was that "BA's just aren't sufficiently qualified to handle a lot of jobs involving analytical, problem-solving skills."

Mittendorf added that "this entire initiative is happening because of student pressure... don't preempt the idea of having a BS at Hopkins in Biochemistry and Chemistry at Hopkins within a year or two either. This isn't simply just a change of a letter... it's more of a philosophical point."

The Council apparently found the given arguments convincing, because the resolution was passed with no objections and only two abstentions.

Also mulled over was an issue resurrected from a week back: Whether or not undergraduate teaching assistants should have a place at Johns Hopkins.

Also, several administrative points were discussed, notably the HSA's successful effort to return full security patrols to the Homewood Apartments.

## Johns Hopkins community crime report, January 30–February 5

January 30-

- 1:30 a.m.—3400 N. Charles St. Unknown suspect entered building by unknown means, pried open money changer and took an unknown amount of U.S. currency and coin.
- 5:40 a.m.—2800 Blk Huntington Ave. Unknown suspect entered victim's home and took property valued at \$603.
- 8:30 a.m.—600 Blk E. 36th St. Dodge MD#ACM79X taken from above location. No anti-theft device.
- 8:39 a.m.—2700 Maryland Ave. Person unlawfully removed the victim's 1986 Nissan MD tag#EEX947.
- 9:10 a.m.—2400 Blk Maryland Ave. Unknown suspect entered the dwelling through the window and removed property.
- 10:19 a.m.—An unknown subject entered the victim's 1992 Volvo MD tag#580APW by force and took \$195 in property and office supplies.
- 5:00 p.m.—200 Blk E. 33rd St. Unknown suspect took purse from complainant's desk. Taken: 1 purse containing credit cards, ID, and check book.
- 8:40 p.m.—Unit Blk E. 25th St. Male entered store, took 1 bottle Joliesse Cabernet Wine and left without paying. Value \$6.60

January 31

- 8:12 a.m.—200 Blk E. 32nd St. Unknown suspect took unknown tool and removed the victim's property from 1st floor.
- 8:36 a.m.—100 Blk W. 39th St. Unknown suspect removed cash out of the victim's salon cash box. The owner has an idea of the suspect and will obtain more information.
- 9:59 a.m.—3300 Blk. St. Paul. Unknown suspect tried to remove vehicle from garage but was unsuccessful
- 11:00 a.m.—2600 Blk St. Paul St. Person entered an 1989 Nissan MD tag#EDX838 through driver's door, taking property valued at \$1165.
- 12:30 p.m.—400 Blk Calvin Ave. Suspect (son) took victim's property while staying at her home. Value: \$160.
- 1:00 p.m.—200 Blk E. University Pkwy. Unknown suspect entered the victim's room and removed the pocket-book from the left desk drawer. Property valued at \$71
- 8:40 p.m.—300 E. Lorraine Ave. Suspect, known to the victim, pointed gun, demanded and took money. Taken: \$25 U.S. currency. No injuries.
- 11:51 p.m.—3100 Blk. Brentwood Ave. Person unknown forced open kitchen window, entered home and took property. Value unknown. 1 person arrested.

February 1

- 1:02 a.m.—3100 Blk Greenmount Ave. Male approached victim from behind, grabbed Motorola cell phone from his hand and fled. Valued at \$300.
- 2:15 a.m.—1100 Blk W. 41st St. Known suspect ran into the store and removed property from aisle but was detained by manager. Property recovered, but suspect fled screen.
- 4:25 a.m.—600 Blk Dumbarton Ave. 1997 gray Jeep Cherokee MD tag#977993M was towed to NED for search and seizure warrant and processing. Released back to owner.
- 4:25 a.m.—600 Blk Dumbarton Ave.

Person standing in the 600 Blk Dumbarton Ave. was shot in the leg. Treated and released from Union Memorial Hospital. 1 arrest.

- 4:26 a.m.—2600 Blk N. Charles St. Suspect approached victim, grabbed his face with his hands and said "Give me your money," taking backpack. Value unknown.
- 6:00 a.m.—2500 Blk N. Calvert St. Unknown person entered business by roof skylight, taking property valued at \$200.
- 12:31 p.m.—4300 York Road. Unknown suspect broke into the storage area and removed one TV/VCR Panasonic. Unknown serial number.
- 3:00 p.m.—700 Blk W. 40th St. Person unknown took victim's property that was inside wallet located in purse inside locker. Property value: \$10.
- 6:35 p.m.—700 Blk W. 40th St. Male entered store, took 3 packages of steaks, hid them under his shirt and tried to exit without paying. Value: \$30.37.
- 8:50 p.m.—2700 Blk Huntington Ave. Male entered bar, asked for 2 1/2 pints Hennessy and 1 pint Jack Daniels, took them and left without paying. Total value \$24.
- 9:00 p.m.—Unit Blk E. 34th St. Unknown suspect broke window of 1997 Kia and took \$5 in U.S. currency.
- 10:50 p.m.—1000 Blk W. 41st St. Suspect took 1 movie from the premise of Blockbuster video without paying for the same. Suspect was arrested after being positively identified. 1 arrest.

February 2

- 6:51 a.m.—2700 Blk Huntington Ave. Unknown suspect used lug wrench to force open side door at above location and took U.S. currency totaling \$1300.
- 4:04 p.m.—3400 Blk Ellerslie Ave. Unknown suspect removed vehicle from in front of a school. Suspect used a pry tool.
- 4:25 p.m.—300 Blk W. 29th St. Unknown suspect removed property from the victim's vehicle at a body shop.
- 5:15 p.m.—3600 Blk Greenmount Ave. Unknown suspect entered the complainant's home and removed property from dwelling. Suspect exiting is unknown
- 9:40 p.m.—2800 Blk N. Howard St. 3 females ran past 1 victim. 1 grabbed her by the arm while 2 took her purse. Value: \$200.

February 3

- 2:13 a.m.—3200 Blk Avon Ave. Complainant states that his cousin had been visiting and demanded \$10. Complainant refused and cousin drew a knife on him, but fled when police came. 1 arrest.
- 3:55 a.m.—3200 Blk Greenmount Ave. Unknown suspect broke front window to store and took various items. Quantity and value unknown at this time.
- 5:30 a.m.—3300 Blk Barclay St. Suspect approached victim, displayed handgun and took \$13 in U.S. currency. No injuries.
- 7:30 a.m.—2700 Blk St. Paul St. Suspect approached victim, displayed handgun and took \$140 in U.S. currency. Handgun was recovered.
- 10:22 a.m.—2600 Blk Sisson St. Unknown suspect removed a forklift and engine analyzer from business.
- 12:00 p.m.—Unit Blk York Ct. #2. Unknown person stole the complainant's

1996 Volkswagen. Vehicle alarm was activated.

- 4:20 p.m.—2800 Blk Greenmount Ave. Suspect was arrested for attempting to steal property from family dollar store. 1 arrest.
- 5:30 p.m.—3200 Blk N. Charles St. Unknown suspect broke into apartment building coin machine and took quarters totaling \$10.
- 5:30 p.m.—2900 Blk St. Paul St. Complainant's brother took her VCR valued at \$250 and pawned same.
- 8:00 p.m.—Suspect forced open passenger side window to a Jeep MD tag#830307M. Entered and took property valued at \$850.
- 9:30 p.m.—3200 Blk Ellerslie Ave. Male approached complainant and pointed a silver semiautomatic handgun at him, taking his bicycle.
- 10:17 p.m.—3100 Blk N. Calvert St. Male with stocky build broke into complainant's home by breaking the side window and attempted to remove property. Nothing was taken.

victim's 1996 Jeep MD tag#473XSK.

- 9:18 a.m.—Suspect struck victim in the face with a thrown barbell.
- 12:04 p.m.—3100 Blk Greenmount Ave. Two unknown suspects took victim's property while same was at a payphone. Property valued at \$165.
- 12:32 p.m.—200 Blk W. University Pkwy. Known suspect took \$200 in U.S. currency from victim's front pant pockets located in locker at above location.
- 8:45 p.m.—400 Blk Venable Ave. Unknown suspect took victim's 1995 Plymouth Voyager MD tag#766618M.
- 9:00 p.m.—3200 Blk Guildford Ave. Unknown person broke into complainant's home and took property valued at \$230. Suspect removed a glass window from back door.
- 9:00 p.m.—3600 Blk Old York Rd. An unknown suspect took the rear MD tag#518023 off of the victim's 1986 Chevy without permission.

February 5

February 4

- 2:10 a.m.—3200 Blk. Greenmount Ave. Two unknown suspects took victim's property while same was at a payphone at above location. Property valued at \$165.
- 4:09 a.m.—2600 Blk Guildford Ave. Person known to the victim cut the victim on the left hand with a knife during a domestic argument.
- 5:30 a.m.—700 Blk W. University Pkwy. Unknown subject entered the victim's 1991 Mazda MD tag#ZWW502 by force and took \$175.
- 8:00 a.m.—Unit Blk E. 31st St. Unknown person unlawfully removed the

- 2:10 a.m.—3200 Blk Greenmount Ave. Unknown suspect broke window to the business and took property within reach, fleeing scene on foot.
- 8:15 a.m.—Unknown suspect entered the victim's 1993 Honda MD tag#DJT761 by force and took a custom bicycle (value \$1500) and glasses.
- 1:47 p.m.—Unit Blk E. University Pkwy. Unknown suspect took victim's property valued at \$100.
- 2:15 p.m.—2400 Blk Maryland Ave. Unknown suspect broke into victim's home and took property valued at \$790.
- 4:00 p.m.—Unit Blk E. 32nd St. Unknown person stole complainant's 1990 Volkswagen Fox FL tag#FBV085. Vehicle had a spare key in the magnetic case by gas cap.

## Reno to decide Babbitt casino probe

Republicans say campaign contributions to Democrats may have affected Babbitt

BY H. JOSEF HEBERT  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON—Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt awaited a Justice Department decision Wednesday on whether an independent prosecutor should investigate charges saying that he misled Congress about an Indian casino controversy.

Attorney General Janet Reno was to decide whether to accept recommendations by staff advisers that she seek an independent counsel.

In the past she has normally followed such advice.

It would be the first such prosecutor to be named in connection with the wide-ranging inquiries in Congress over campaign fundraising and political influence during the 1996 election.

Republicans say contributions to the Democrats may have played a role in Babbitt's casino decision.

Three other independent counsel investigations are under way involving the Clinton administration: Kenneth Starr's concerning the president and separate investigations of allegations of misconduct by former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy and former Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros.

Reno has rejected appeals by Republicans to name an outside prosecutor to examine broader campaign finance issues and aides reportedly have recommended that an investigation into possible perjury by Babbitt be limited to whether he misled Congress.

Babbitt, who has said his career of 23 years in public service is on the line, has strongly denied any misconduct involving the casino decision—or in his explanations of it.

The inquiry involves a decision by the Interior Department in 1995 to reject a request by three Indian tribes in Hudson, Wis., and a dog track owner to open a casino on the site of a money-losing dog track.

Republicans have asserted that promises of campaign contributions to the Democratic Party by other Indian tribes opposed to the casino may have played a part in the decision.

Those tribes contributed \$286,000 to the Democratic National Committee in 1996.

Babbitt and other Interior Department employees have denied political influence played any role in denial of the casino, which had been opposed by the local community.

Justice Department investigators also have concluded the decision was not influenced by promises of campaign contributions, but they have not been able to resolve whether Babbitt was fully truthful in sworn testimony to Congress in his explanation of the decision-making.

At the core of the investigation is a July 1995 meeting Babbitt had with Paul Eckstein, a longtime friend who at the time represented pro-casino interests.

Eckstein last fall testified at congressional hearings that Babbitt told him that Harold Ickes, then White House deputy chief of staff, had

wanted the casino decision expedited. Eckstein also contended Babbitt made reference to campaign contributions by tribes opposed to the casino.

When Babbitt was questioned by Senator John McCain, R-Arizona, in 1996, he disputed Eckstein's assertion. He also said he had never discussed the matter with Ickes.

But last October, Babbitt wrote Senator Fred Thompson, R-Tennessee, and later testified before Thompson's investigative committee that he had told Eckstein that Ickes wanted a decision to "terminate the discussion" with the lobbyist and that, in fact, he never talked to Ickes.

At recent House hearings, Babbitt insisted that he had told the truth to Congress in each instance.

"Both letters state that I never discussed the (casino) matter with Harold Ickes," said Babbitt.

"In the McCain letter, I disputed Mr. Eckstein's version of our conversation. In the Thompson letter I provided my own recollection of that conversation," added Babbitt.

"I never spoke to Mr. Ickes about the Hudson matter, and I shouldn't have given Mr. Eckstein any reason to suppose that I had," Babbitt said.

"I regret the remarks. It was a mistake, but that's all that it was," he added.

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# SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

## Bad news for the highly-educated

BY JOSH GREENBERG  
News-Letter Staff

There's bad news and worse news for educated Americans.

According to the results of a study released earlier this month by the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, the more school a person has attended, the more prone they are to headaches. As if that weren't bad enough, according to findings by the University of Chicago, they might find themselves telling their significant others all about it, prefacing the statement with the phrase "Not tonight, honey, but..."

That's right. More headaches, less sex.

Let's tackle the headaches first. An epidemiological study by the Hopkins School of Public Health was published in the Feb. 4 issue of the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, focusing on the prevalence of two forms of tension-type headaches: episodic ("greater than 10 lifetime attacks but fewer than 15 attacks per month") and chronic ("at least 15 attacks per month for at least six months").

According to lead author Brian Schwartz, M.D., associate professor of Environmental Health Sciences, these headaches might bring with them more than just discomfort. "Tension headaches are very common and have a large impact on society in terms of days lost from work and decreased ability to work effectively."

The Hopkins study consisted of a telephone survey of 13,345 Baltimore County residents. Of those surveyed, almost two-fifths met the conditions for episodic tension-type headaches, while only about two percent could be classified with the chronic form. Headaches were more common among women than men, and were most likely among men and women between ages 30 and 39.

Perhaps more relevant to us here at Hopkins, though, was the finding that the odds of developing episodic headaches increased with level of education completed. In other words, people who finished 4-year degrees reported a higher incidence of episodic headaches than those who didn't, and those with graduate degrees were worse off than all the rest, with almost half reporting attacks.

On the other hand, people who've



FILE PHOTO

**Who's that guy? Ohhhh, he's our famous graduation speaker!**

gone to grad school reported the lowest incidence of chronic headaches, leading researchers to believe that the episodic and chronic forms are distinct and separate conditions—thus leaving graduate students with the hope that if they're more likely to get

*"Americans who have attended graduate school may have money and smarts, but they report being the least sexually active educational group in the population."*

—AMERICAN DEMOGRAPHICS

headaches, at least they won't be getting them that often.

Speaking of getting less, researchers at the University of Chicago have released some bleak findings, published in February's issue of *American Demographics*. Using the University's General Social Survey database, they've compiled what may be the most accurate picture of sexual activity in the United States, and again, it doesn't look too good for

overeducated folk.

When grouped by level of education, the results are definitive—college graduates have less sex (56 times per year on average, adjusted for age, race and gender) than any other segment of the population, with one exception. As it turns out, people with graduate degrees have even less sex (just 50 times per year, adjusted).

The report explains, "Americans who have attended graduate school may have money and smarts, but they report being the least sexually active educational group in the population."

Kinda makes you reconsider your Medical School plans, eh?

Actually, it's important not to misunderstand the meanings of these and other epidemiological/demographic studies. These studies merely indicate a correlation between variables, not a direct causal link.

For example, there's no proof that another four or five years of post-undergraduate school will necessarily leave you more prone to episodic tension-type headaches, although it does make a certain perverse sort of sense. By the same token, dropping out of college now rather than finishing your degree doesn't mean that you'll definitely have more sex than that guy down the hall who studies all the time.

In fact, it's very possible that the very traits that cause people to pursue college degrees also cause them to have less sex, or that there's something else operating under the surface which none of these studies has clearly indicated.

Or maybe it's just the headaches.

## Sliding, skating, sweeping and shooting

Have you got Olympic fever yet? CBS certainly hopes so. They're now right smack in the middle of their blitzkrieg coverage of the 1998 Winter Games, which is the biggest event to hit the world sports community since... well... the 1996 Summer Games.

**JOSH GREENBERG**  
*Website of the Week*

It's only been a year and a half since the world was thrilled by the amazing feats of a handful of courageous young women as they whirled through the air. Now we're doing it again, except this time with skates on their feet.

Unlike most of the viewing populace, though, I haven't gotten into figure skating. Instead, I've been discovering an interest in some of the other winter sports.

I read somewhere that the Winter Games are really about gravity and friction, and I'm starting to agree. There's something hypnotic about watching a skier slalom down a course, and the raw speed of the bobsled (people sliding down a hill on a sled) and luge (people sliding down a hill on their butts). Other events deal with fighting friction at speeds both high (speed skating) and low (curling).

However, I've been finding myself in a bit of a quandary—aside from catching the 3 a.m. broadcasts before I go to sleep, it's been hard to keep up with the sheer volume of information generated by the games.

There are just too many events to see them all, so I've found myself turning to the official Olympic Games website ([www.nagano.olympics.org](http://www.nagano.olympics.org)), where there are up-to-the-minute updates on who won which medal and when.

The site's really well-designed, if a little too high-tech (resulting in slightly long initial download times). However, it does have what might be the coolest bit of design I've seen in a while, a constantly-refreshing sports

ticker in the upper-right corner incorporating both text and graphics.

So, if you're looking for raw information on the Games, don't wait for a CBS update—fire up your browser

and be one of the 45,000 who hit the Olympics site every minute.

Questions, comments and luge raves to [josh@jhu.edu](mailto:josh@jhu.edu).

SCREEN SHOT BY JOSH GREENBERG

The really long, really informative, IBM-sponsored Winter Olympics site.

## SCIENCE BRIEFS

### Vitamin B-6, folic acid examined as heart risk factors

Deficiencies in vitamin B-6 and folic acid may serve as indicators for a higher risk for stroke and heart disease, according to a report published Monday in *Circulation*, the American Heart Association journal.

Vitamin B-6 and folic acid levels were lower in people with heart disease and stroke than in other people.

Those with the vitamin B-6 deficiency were nearly twice as likely to have the illnesses, researchers found. The study examined 750 Europeans with blockages in the blood vessels of the heart, brain and legs as well as 800 healthy people.

"Having a vitamin B-6 deficiency proved to be a very powerful risk factor for heart disease and stroke," said the study's lead author, Dr. Killian Robinson, a cardiologist and associate professor of medicine at the Cleveland Clinic.

Folic acid, or folates, generally can be found in green leafy vegetables, and vitamin B-6 in cereal grains.

Researchers also measured blood levels of homocysteine, an amino acid that previous studies have suggested may be linked to heart disease and stroke. Low levels of vitamin B-6 and folic acid can cause elevations in homocysteine.

But Robinson's study found low levels of B-6 and folic acid were associated with heart disease and stroke risk regardless of the patient's homocysteine level.

"There's something else going on that vitamin B-6 is doing," Robinson said.

### Outback ranchers look to cash in on world's last wild camels

Standing more than eight feet high and weighing the better part of a ton, Tinkerbell the camel isn't happy. She kicks up red dust and groans as veterinarians try to give her a shot to increase her reproductive potential.

Tinkerbell, Duchess and Kaman are in a scientific program testing camel DNA and investigating artificial insemination techniques that could eventually lead to more births.

"We are trying to make them superovulate," veterinarian Greg Crawford says while trying to soothe Tinkerbell so a colleague, Joffrid Mackett, can give the injection. "They have had these shots a couple of times now and they know what's coming. They're not real keen for it to happen again."

The program is part of an effort to find business uses for the world's last wild herd of camels—in the Australian outback. Camels are now all domesticated in the Middle East and North Africa.

Introduced to Australia as a pack animal in the mid-1800s, the durable one-humped camel, or camelus dromedarius, has made a huge area of the country's interior its own and now exists happily alongside kangaroos, emus and dingos.

For more than 60 years, camels were used instead of horses in Australia's arid and desolate interior, where temperatures can rise above 120 degrees during the day and drop below freezing at night.

They helped explorers search for gold, settlers carry building materials and supplies and policemen patrol remote areas.

An inland transport network was dependent on camels and the drivers who tended them, mainly Pakistanis from the Peshawar region but known generically in Australia at the time as "Afghans," regardless of their origins.

By the 1920s, motorized vehicles had caught up with the camel and an estimated 12,000 were shot or turned loose. Those that survived flourished. Camel numbers are now estimated at around 200,000, and they range over an area of more than 1 million square miles in five states.

The island continent has provided a natural quarantine and prevented tuberculosis, brucellosis and other infectious diseases taking hold.

"They are genetically clean and disease-free," said Peter Seidel, chairman of the Central Australian Camel Industry Association.

That is one of the advantages the association hopes to use to turn Australia's fledgling camel industry into an export business.

The group has its eye on meat for Southeast Asia, parts for folk medi-

cines in China and possibly racing camels for the Middle East.

Seidel says Southeast Asia, where consumers are expected to be less reticent about eating camel meat than they are in Australia, is potentially worth millions.

Problems include ensuring supply. Meatpackers and unions have proved reluctant to commit to working on camel carcasses, which are bigger than cows.

"If we can get it off the ground, it could become a really good second industry for us," Seidel said.

### Experimental E. Coli vaccine

A vaccine against E. coli, the deadly food poisoning bacteria that forced the recall last year of millions of pounds of beef, has been tested successfully on a small group of volunteers, researchers said Monday.

Scientists at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, N.C., report that a preliminary study using 87 volunteers showed that the vaccine causes an immune reaction that could protect against infection by E. coli O157.

"This is still very early in the research," said Dr. Dwayne F. Alexander, director of the institute on child health and human development, one of the National Institutes of Health.

"This is the first human study of this proposed vaccine."

He said the important finding is that the vaccine produced a level of antibody in the volunteers that could kill E. coli O157 in the test tube.

"We don't know yet if it will kill the bacteria in the body," he said.

Alexander said the next step is to conduct tests to determine if the vaccine will prevent E. coli O157 infection in cattle, which are thought to be the most common source of the infection.

Results of the preliminary study are published in the *Journal of Infectious Diseases*.

E. coli O157 is a deadly, new strain of bacteria that can contaminate beef, fruit juice and other foods, causing severe food poisoning symptoms, including bloody diarrhea and damaged kidneys. People can also become infected by swimming in lakes or rivers contaminated with the organism.

Children are most seriously affected by the infection.

An estimated 20,000 Americans are poisoned by E. coli O157 annually and about 250 die, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

An outbreak in Japan last year infected more than 10,000 people in just two months.

Last year, millions of pounds of ground beef in the United States were destroyed after tests showed the beef was contaminated with E. coli. The organism also has been found in fruit and fruit juices.

E. coli is spread most frequently from cattle manure that can get into meat during butchering or onto fruits or vegetables in the field.

Water runoff from pastures where there are infected cattle can contaminate rivers and lakes.

E. coli is formally known as *Escherichia coli*, named for Theodor Escherich, a German bacteriologist who first isolated it 111 years ago. A benign form of the organism lives in the human gut, where it is essential for proper digestion.

Researchers believe that some genes of a dangerous virus, called shigella, were transferred into E. coli during a shigella epidemic in Central America in the 1970s.

This transformed one strain of a usually harmless germ into a pathogen that does not respond well to antibiotics and can cause severe food poisoning.

In the experiment, three groups of 27 volunteers were inoculated with different formulations of a vaccine made from the combination of parts the E. coli bacterium and of another bacterium, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

Nearly all of the volunteers developed antibodies against E. coli within a week.

This suggests that such a vaccine could be useful in quickly controlling an outbreak, said Alexander.

At the end of 26 weeks, 97 percent of the test subjects had antibody levels 10 times higher than pretest levels.

Antibody produced in the blood of the volunteers was able to kill the E. coli O157 bacterium in laboratory cultures.

Volunteers experienced no serious side effects from the vaccine, with irritation at the injection site being the most common complaint.

### Computers vital in absence of nuclear tests

The world's fastest supercomputer is helping scientists at Sandia National Laboratories determine whether a nuclear warhead would work after being blasted by X-rays on a nuclear battlefield.

In the past, scientists would have hauled electronic components from the Navy W76 warhead underground to the Nevada Test Site and subjected them to a burst of X-rays from a real bomb.

But underground nuclear blasts now are banned. So researchers at Sandia, Los Alamos and Lawrence Livermore national laboratories are working with computer models to test the reliability of the nation's nuclear arsenal.

Sandia has developed a computer simulation—computer software that tries to mathematically predict what X-rays would do as they hurl into the warhead's electronic circuits.

Only nuclear bombs produce such powerful X-rays, said Bob Thomas, a Sandia nuclear weapons expert.

Scientists today must run real-world tests with weaker X-rays and compare those results with computer predictions to see if the software can handle the problem.

They also can compare the simulation's results to information from old underground nuclear tests to validate the model.

Validated software then can be used to test the W76.

If the virtual reality bomb components pass the tests, then real components can be certified as reliable.

Combining field tests and computer simulations has long been used to develop and certify nuclear weapons, Thomas said.

But he said the W76 tests would be the first time a simulation alone played the central role.

Sandia is using a computer capable of performing more than 1 trillion calculations a second, but scientists say it's not fast enough.

The more data computers can handle, the more precise simulations can be.

Work is under way at Los Alamos on a new supercomputer three times faster than Sandia's.

And the U.S. Department of Energy has announced contracts to develop technology needed for a further tenfold increase in computing speed.

President Clinton, touring Los Alamos last week, said no problem is more important for the new generation of computers than their role in testing nuclear weapons.

The nation is entering "a new era in simulation science," said Los Alamos' Andy White, who is working with colleague Don McCoy on simulating nuclear weapons in computers.

Computer simulation has become common as computers have become faster.

But researchers say they must turn regularly to experiments and real-world observations to help validate what computer models tell them. And critics question whether it's possible to trust a computer simulation without real tests, even with faster computers and better software.

New York University professor Naomi Oreskes said a computer model might seem accurate and pass the best tests it's given.

"But unless it can be tested with a real experiment, you can never know it's right," she said.

"The real world is so complicated that scientists building a computer model can never be sure they captured all the important details," Oreskes explained.

She continued, "Models are representative, useful for guiding study."

"Simulations are great for asking 'what if' questions about a complicated system such as nuclear weapons functions," she said. "But without experiments to test the results, you can't say the simulations represent reality."

Oreskes stated that means that when people base important decisions on computer models—such as whether or not to certify a nuclear weapon—they need to understand the model's shortcomings.

"The question is: What happens when it leaves the laboratory?" she said.

"It is not 100 percent certain that it works," but scientists have no choice, said Jas Mercer-Smith, deputy director of Los Alamos nuclear weapons technology program. "We are compelled to make it work."





# Room to Grow

...with JHU Housing

## Wednesday, February 18

*Upperclass Room Selection  
Information Session*  
7:00 PM, Remsen 1

## February 19 - 27

*Housing Information Week*

## February 19 - 27

*Upperclass Room Selection  
Registration*  
Wolman Lobby and  
Housing Office

## February 24 - 26

*Apartment Tours*  
(meet in Wolman Lobby)

- February 24 3:00 - 5:00 PM
- February 25 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- February 26 6:00 - 8:00 PM

## Thursday, March 12

- *Upperclass Priority Number  
Notification*
- *Floor Plans and List of  
Tenants in Partially Occupied  
Units Posted*

## Wednesday, March 25

*Room Selection/  
Contract Signing Session*  
6:00 PM, AMRI Multipurpose  
Room



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## EDITORIALS

# Levering Cafeteria too crowded at lunch time

Johns Hopkins has had problems with overcrowding since before most of us even enrolled here.

First there was a problem with housing for underclassmen, so JHU took over Wolman and McCoy, and, most recently, the Homewood. Then there were problems with the HAC computer lab, so JHU installed a number of computers in the Milton S. Eisenhower Library. These are all welcome and necessary improvements.

Unfortunately, JHU has consistently neglected a spot that experiences chronic overcrowding: the Levering Cafeteria.

Simply put, Levering is inadequate. Levering is not large enough to accommodate the rush for lunch on the weekdays.

Pizza Hut, the Firehouse Grill, Finishing Touches and World Class Cuisine are all fine and dandy, but what good are they if you have to stand up to eat your Italian Chicken Pizza Hut Personal Pizza?

No matter when we go there at lunch time, it seems like there's always a shortage of seats. If you have a good eye and quick reflexes, you

might be able to throat out everyone else who is trying to get a seat. Perhaps you'll wander upstairs to the so-called overflow seating up in E-Level so that you can eat in silence. Perhaps you'll seek out one of those comfy chairs up in the lobby so that you can watch the soaps with the custodial workers. Or perhaps you'll just go home for lunch or go without lunch and walk around with bitterness for the rest of the day.

The easiest solution to this problem is to decrease the number of hours during which underclassmen can use their meal equivalency. Since that's the solution that requires the least amount of effort, it's probably the solution that JHU will choose. That's a shame, because the real problem is much deeper—it lies in what can only be explained either as the administration's reluctance or inability to address the important issues that JHU faces today.

If JHU is to keep its spot as one of the premiere universities in the country, it's going to have to address the issue of overcrowding.

# Book trade website good competition for bookstore

It's about time the only Hopkins' bookstore had competition.

Barnes & Nobles has done well selling books for excessive prices and buying them back for pennies. It's easy to spend \$180 for two textbooks, or \$300 on books for four classes and then only months later many of the books are worthless.

Like senior Alex Yuan, one of the creators of the new on-line book trade, many students are "pissed" at the prices and practices at the bookstore. Until now, many students complained but had no alternative but to pay.

The student-created on-line book trade will be an instant success with students setting

prices on their own. Those selling books will redeem more money than they would at the bookstore, while students buying books will find books much cheaper.

There can be few disadvantages to this trade. Initially, finding the books one needs might be difficult. But the more students using the service, the more books will be available. And the system that searches by course number, book title or book seller will facilitate the process.

With a student body known for its apathy and inaction, the creators of this website have broken the mold. It is encouraging to see that Hopkins students do take initiative and can use their ingenuity to benefit the student body.

# Olympic truce should be honored

The United States should lead the world in reaffirming support for the ideals of international brotherhood by honoring the Olympic truce requested for the Nagano games.

The truce, traditionally requested for the duration of an Olympic contest, is a nearly three thousand-year-old tradition paying homage to the spirit of brotherly competition embodied by the Games. Originally intended to ensure the safe passage of athletes to and from the games of ancient Greece through the often contentious states that competed in those contests the truce has a deeper symbolic meaning in the modern era. Though it still serves to allow athletes to concentrate more fully on their events without worrying about events at home, its true value lies in the salute that the truce offers to the universal human love of peaceful competition over direct violence.

The United States, especially during the current administration, claims to be a nation devoted to exactly these kinds of ideals. We promote democracy worldwide because of our belief in an equal brotherhood of all mankind without regard to ethnicity. We engage in diplomatic, rather than military, maneuvers the world over because we believe in the peaceful resolution of conflicts. We promote free trade because we believe that free and open competition, unfettered by outside concerns, should reign

## THADDEUS WATULAK Pushing The Envelope

supreme. We promote multilateralism and internationalism because we believe in an interrelated family of nations. These values of brotherhood, peaceful competition, and international understanding are more perfectly em-

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bodied in the Olympics than they could ever be in any other institution in the world or aspect of life. Despite the inability of any nation to ever truly live up to these values, any nation that means to pay them more than mere lip service must do all that it can to honor an institution that does embody them.

The observance of the Olympic truce by the world's mightiest nation would add to our moral prestige and, more importantly, exert a

strong pressure on other nations to observe the truce as well. Besides the intrinsic gain that two weeks of worldwide peace would possess, this shared tradition would bring the world closer together and could be one of the building blocks of a truly international value system or culture.

In the situation that currently possesses the greatest threat to the truce, Iraq, a stated observance of the Olympic tradition would be especially favorable for the United States. It gives us a way to step back from confrontation without appearing to back down. In the interim tensions could cool and it is possible that a diplomatic solution could once again be reached. However, if after the Games we still feel compelled to forcibly assert our position, observance of the Olympic truce could allow us to regain the moral high ground in the confrontation that many of our "allies" seem to think we have lost. At the very least, it will allow us more time to gather support for a strike—with an international prestige gain rather than a loss. God and President Clinton willing, the only violence during the Nagano Olympics will take place on a hockey rink's ice.

The last Olympics in Atlanta were disrupted by an indefensible terrorist bombing on our soil. President Clinton should take this opportunity to show the world that, though some morally reprehensible individuals do not respect the sanctity of the Olympic ideal, the American People still believe in the values that the Games represent.

# The real success of the Titanic

When the mega-steamship Titanic first sailed out of New York harbor, no one knew

it would become a gold mine over half a century later, or, at the very least, a \$337 million dollar piggybank. The ship's on-screen incarnation, in James Cameron's latest epic, has captivated audiences from San Diego to Bangor, earning a Bill Gates-size pile of cash. However, at the start of the winter-movie season, when all the Christmas-time films were reviewed, *Titanic* was projected to be a Titanic flop. Critics, pronouncing from their vaulted moral position, declared DiCaprio too small of a character and actor to carry the movie (alluding to *Romeo & Juliet*'s lackluster box office performance), the special effects too glitzy and the story too far removed from reality. As far as they were concerned, *Titanic* was a Kevin Costner-style mediocre offering, and Cameron was off his mark.

Shows how much they know.

Instead, *Titanic* is a huge success, the biggest of the season, and was recently nominated for 14 Academy Awards, including Best Picture. The national movie survey, which polls moviegoers to rate movies on an letter grade scale, showed that *Titanic*'s average grade was an A+, while the critic's average grade was a B/B-. Furthermore, DiCaprio's asking price for starring in a movie has doubled, and James Cameron is reportedly flooded with so many scripts he can't think straight. The critics, not Cameron, were off their mark.

The power and influence of the media, as a collective unit, has made enormous gains. While *Titanic* is a notable exception insofar as it has bucked enormous criticism and made a profit, so few others have been as fortunate. When the critics come out against a film, it bombs. For instance, *The New York Times*'s Theater Re-

## CRAIG ZAPETIS Generation X

view is so important to Broadway plays that a bad review on the opening night of a play usually causes the financing for the show to pull out, killing it. Likewise, a bad review of a clothes designer's newest line greatly influences the purchases made by the largest stores, and bad reviews can smash the economies of scale designers rely on to decrease their per-garment price. Similarly, the media has

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entrenched itself into our political culture, defining the country's moral and political agenda. In early 1992, CNN and NBC took it upon themselves to air pictures of starving children from war-torn Somalia, rousing the public, and then the government, into spearheading a humanitarian mission to the south African state. Similar foreign policy situations have popped up throughout the last decade, but the most obvious loci of the media's power is the inside-the-beltway political scene. Almost every political office in D.C. stops at 4:30 p.m. to watch CNN's *Inside Politics*, which often directs the agenda of the evening news and the afternoon White House Press Conference.

If there ever was a *Titanic* equivalent in modern politics, it's President Clinton. Two weeks ago, the media declared him a Nixon for the 90's, and gave the executioner's ax to Ken Starr. But, unlike so many other suc-

cessful character assassinations, the public didn't buy it. Clinton's popularity soared. After about a week, the Nielson share for the cable news stations and the local news specials covering their self-dubbed "White House Crisis" dropped off. People stopped watching. The media's inability to spoon-feed the public their sexual fiasco-line drove them crazy. Partly out of disbelief and partly out of competition, the news media didn't slow down, or even miss a beat; in fact, they devoted more time to analysis after analysis, update after update. You pick it: Fox Cable News, CNBC, MSNBC, CNN, even the Warner Bros.' fledgling network had a Lewinsky angle. As of today, nobody thinks Clinton should resign and the Republicans are getting nervous about the upcoming midterm elections. The media's pundits, so eager to help Clinton move out, are talking to themselves, and are wondering if the public has finally started to grow their own opinions. The only thing the public is saying, however, is this: Read my Nielson share.

Some conspiracy theorists who are delighting in Clinton's temporary triumph over the media's innuendo should be warned. The very nature of the media's influence, where-there's-smoke-there's-fire style journalism, partially prevents any conscious attempt by members of that group to control too much their overall understanding of the situation. The Catch-22 to sensationalism is a mobility which pushes news to its quickest and rudest form, at the expense of time-controlled analysis, thereby limiting the differences between Peter Jennings's, Dan Rather's and Tom Brokaw's news reports to mere semantics. The recent advent of mob journalism and sensationalism might help the media, as a group, lead the politicians like an ass, but it confines those leading it as well. And God help if the public doesn't care.

## LETTERSTOTHEEDITOR

### Student Council "kind of... doing things every now and then"

To the Editors,

I would like to respond to Judd Antin's article, "Do you know (care) about StuCo?" As a two-year member of Student Council, I would like to agree with Mr. Antin's sentiments. Student Council is a pompous, tightbutted group of filibustering morons. Including me.

But I just thought that I'd include a list of things that the Homewood Student Affairs Committee (that's one committee on Council that does a lot of real things) has accomplished last semester.

New Library Coffee Shop  
Security Action Plan  
On-line Used Book Sale  
New Routed Off-campus shuttle  
New Closed Container Policy in Library/Hut  
Opening Levering Sandwich Bar Later

Compensations on Debit Card  
24 Hour Library during Finals Week  
New TV for Homewood Apartments  
2 new dryers in Homewood  
Vending machines in McCoy  
Working Relations Between Council & Security

And while it ain't much, I feel like we kind of are doing things every now and then. Bye.

Sincerely,  
Teddy Chao

### News-letter shouldn't "hide behind the anonymity of its title"

To the Editors,

I'm sorry to say that after opening the Jan. 29, issue I was disappointed and offended. The "Advertising Supplement" about abortion and its evils that fell into my lap was NOT what I expected to see.

Topics that illicit such controversy in our society are not alien to the Op/Ed page, but they are rarely supported so fully by the institution they are found in. An article in Op/Ed is put there specifically because the views voiced in it may not necessarily be the views of the paper as a whole. By including the Human Life Alliance's supplement, you told your readers that you parallel their views on abortion, whether you meant it or not.

It is important for the News-

letter staff to realize that if the Human Life Alliance paid for that "special section" then the *News-letter* is supporting the Human Life Alliance.

I realize my ability to just throw that section away, but I agree with Douglas Steinke and choose to exercise my First Amendment right. However, I may be turning in the wrong direction. This may not be a First Amendment issue.

My main argument lies in the fact that newspapers are more or less vehicles to report issues and events, not comment on them. If writers do express an opinion, at least their name is printed next to the article, just as the *News-letter* requires me to sign my name to this letter in order for it to see print. My point is that the *News-letter* cannot hide behind the anonymity of its title and include such a section until it takes on the responsibility of agreeing with that section as well.

Sincerely,  
Chris Schlobohm

### Rep. Ehrlich "deserving of an apology" for News-letter error

To the Editors,

I am truly stupefied that a college newspaper can present an article with such egregious errors. I am referring the article in February 5 paper about Congressman Robert Ehrlich.

His name throughout the entire article was written as Robert Erlichman. It is amazing that no one on the staff realized this error. I think Mr. Ehrlich and myself are amazed. If I was him, I would be extremely angered by this and deserving of an apology. The editors need to check the articles a little more closely.

Sincerely,  
Pia Hill

### Ehrlich error "at least slightly disrespectful"

To the Editors,

The headline reads "Erhlichman speaks." The first sentence begins "Congressman Robert Erlichman..." May I suggest that it is at least slightly disrespectful to spell the Congressman's name incorrectly and differently throughout the article especially when it isn't even his name. I believe if you check the Congressional roster, you will find that Maryland's 2nd District Congressman is Robert Ehrlich.

Not that it is a grievous error, but if you check, you will find that the Homewood Apartments deal that fell apart was between the University and Manekin Corporation, not Mannekin Corporation.

Can anyone down there spell? Does anyone bother to proofread before you go to press?

Sincerely,  
Jeff Koenig

### Error due to "reading too many Watergate books in... history class?"

To the Editors:

I enjoyed the article in the February 5 *News-Letter* on Congressman Robert "Ehrlichman." Michael "Sachdevman" is a very good writer. I also enjoyed the photograph of Mayor Kurt "Schmokeman" and the article by Waqar "Hasibman." And it goes without saying that the article by Amanda "Druckmanman" was also excellent.

Seriously, is it too much to expect for a writer (or at least an editor) to be familiar with the correct name of a Congressman, especially one whose district is in this area? Perhaps someone has been reading too many Watergate books in their history class?

Sincerely,  
James Stimpert

## LETTERS POLICY

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# OPINIONS

## Racism still alive and well in our city

Last night, I received my first death threat. "Get up again and I'm gonna kill you, white bread." Oops. Apparently, someone forgot to tell the kind gentlemen at the UA Harbor Park theater that racism has gone underground, and isn't supposed to be out in the open anymore.

As about thirty JHU students found out, going to the movies on a Friday night at the Inner Harbor can be very hazardous to your health. The experience could be best described as "unforgettable," and tells us a lot more than we wanted to know about the culture of the inner city.

Ever since I moved to racist, backward Birmingham, AL, I've always looked down upon racism as a foolish, ignorant belief. It's hard to live in Alabama without seeing examples of racism everywhere. It's nothing new. But Alabama had not prepared me for Harbor Park. Racism might have gone underground among the upper classes, but it's paraded as a badge of honor among the lower class, especially in the gangsta culture.

Since this is such a touchy subject, I'm sure to get flamed by someone misinterpreting me. So, to make things more clear, I am not saying that all lower class people are racist, or even that "gangstaz" are necessarily racist. Or that gangstaz are "lower class." But these people at the movies this Friday sure as hell were the most offensive, racist, and horrifying excuses for human beings I have ever encountered. Take every stereotype about an ignorant, hateful racist, and

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multiply it, and you might have something to compare with this trash. It all began when we went to see *The Replacement Killers* on its opening night. We didn't think much of

### ALEX GIANTURCO Insights

going to the Inner Harbor. After all, it's kind of a nice, touristy place, isn't it? A few of my friends and I showed up early. Some whites and Asians from Hopkins who we recognized walked in. About this time, a group of about five black males in their early twenties showed up dressed in what might be called the generic gangsta style of black jackets with horizontal seams, knit caps, black baggy pants, etc. These guys looked like they walked out of a stereotype. We didn't worry at the time. I mean, for chrissakes, we're civilized, right?

Maybe, maybe not. The fun started when another group of Asian JHU students walked in and the gangstaz start calling them "Chinks" and yelling other racial insults at them. More gangstaz come in. They start fighting amongst themselves, yelling insults back and forth at each other. Soon the theater is filled completely. Some gangstaz sit by us.

The movie starts. Chow Yun-Fatt blows some dude away. The anti-Asian catcalls start again. I look around, recognizing the smell of marijuana. I see massive, billowing clouds of pot smoke. By my count, I saw at least twelve blunts. A single black woman walks in. She is jeered loudly and offensively. I've never heard misogyny on this level before, even in bad porno movies. Isn't this illegal? The manager comes in, and gets scared away. He comes back with the police.

The BPD's finest tries to get one of the gangstaz to leave. "You'd better leave, or we'll have to take you outside." Six of the gangsta's crew stands up. Here replies "I'll take you right now, in here." The police eventually get him to leave. He yells to the crowd. I begin to think that things are under control.

Two minutes later, an extremely nervous officer returns with the gangsta, and publicly apologizes to him. It won't happen again, the officer says. The crowd cheers loudly. "Five-O! Five-O!" What happened to the rule of law? It was scared, that's what. The police officer says, "Everyone here's got weed and booze. You gotta calm down, or this whole aisle will have to leave." He then evacuates.

Very quickly. We don't see him

again.

Back on screen, Chow Yun-Fat is supposed to assassinate a police officer. He looks through the sights of his sniper rifle, watching the officer going home to his wife and kids. The policeman plays with his young son, hugs his wife. Chow is disgusted. He doesn't kill him. The crowd hates this: "Yo, you pussy! Cap that pig sonofabitch! And kill his fuckin' kid, too!"

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*What happened to the rule of law? It was scared, that's what.*

Right about now, I begin to get scared. They're really pissed off that he didn't slaughter the entire family. Yikes. Soon, two cops get killed on-screen. The crowd cheers, literally standing up, waving their fists in the air.

I notice that the gangsta sitting next to my roommate had his arm on his neck. "Yo man, go get me some Gummie Bears or you're not gonna make it out alive." They think that we've been calling the police in. They give us nicknames. My roommate is "Snitchy." Since I'm sitting next to my suitemate, I become "Fag-boy." We are told that if we get up to leave, we will be killed. We are told this while being punched on the arm. Hard. Things begin to escalate.

Finally, some students get fed up and stand up to leave. The crowd goes wild. Then another row leaves, and another, and another. Soon, we are the only ones remaining. It seems that all the non-gangsta African-Americans are gone too.

Some people come out into the aisle. They are screaming in our faces, telling us to get out of their theater, whitey. We leave. I am angry. I am scared. I no longer feel benevolent, kind or understanding. Racism never went away. And it never went underground. It's still there. You just have to know where to look.

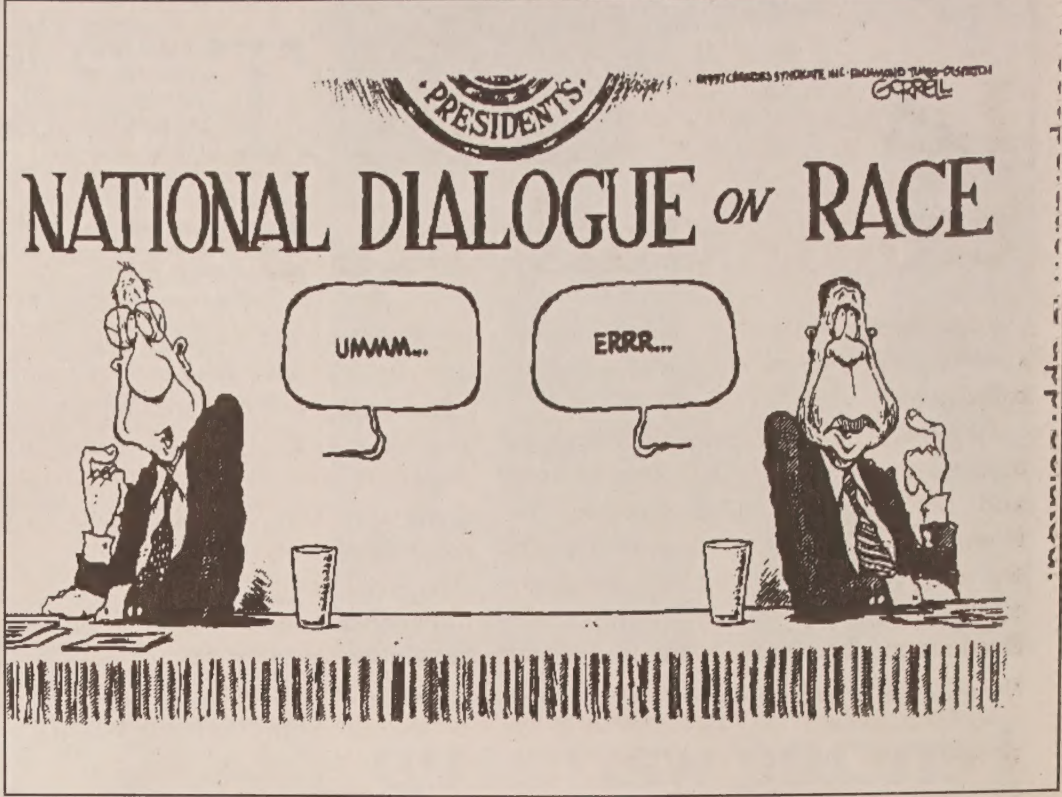
sensitive intelligence information." Strangely, the U.S. sold Iran arms to fund the Contras, thereby aiding the enemy, which Saddam considered an unforgivable stab in the back.

When the war ended in 1988, the U.S. still supplied Iraq with over \$1 billion per year in agricultural credits. Even after he again attacked the Kurds later in 1988, displaying his utter revulsion of human rights and international law, the U.S. still extended the agricultural support. When Saddam attacked Kuwait in 1991 to pay for the massive expenditures of the 1980s, President Bush and other officials denounced his awful attack and proposed to restore the Kuwait monarchy, away from the treacherous clutches of tyranny. The U.S. knew how awful and out of control Iraq had become under Saddam, but nevertheless helped him to serve U.S. interests, but which had now backfired.

By supporting dictators like Saddam Hussein, the U.S. invites trouble. Not only can the ruler use the power and resources given to him against an adjoining nation like Iran, but also against his own people, as well as against other nations like Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Israel and the U.S.

At the beginning of the Cold War, it was thought that resources and power were supposed to be given to countries to stem the tide of Communism and foster democracy, like in the Marshall Plan. As time progressed, democracies started to include totalitarian regimes and Communism only included governments that threatened U.S. corporations.

This perverted foreign policy stratagem needs to be replaced by an isolationist approach, one that allows open diplomacy, free trade and no imperialism. That way, monsters like Saddam Hussein can be discovered in the beginning, before they become too much of a threat.



## American democracy poisoned by lies

Dear Mr. Clinton, Take a deep breath. Relax from the war declarations and the domestic improvement conferences. Take a moment to sit on an Oval Office couch and collect your thoughts without an ever-vigilant eye toward those hidden audio/visual cameras recording your every word; don't worry, for a moment, about accidentally providing the ingredients for self-defeating slander.

Next, I'd like you to compare in your mind the opposing mindsets of a popular dictatorship and a popular democracy. An ironic and outstanding facet of a tyranny—the ability of its leader to neglect saying what he means while accomplishing precisely what he intends—is a simple, blatant disregard for truth.

I'd like you to think back to men like George Washington and James Madison who wanted freedom and fought for it with hearts unfettered by duplicity or politics. Their followers had a clear and consistent ideology to adhere to; no orator practiced a speech prepared by a recent journalism school graduate focused more on placating wacky interest groups or satisfying political correctness fads than on unambiguous, noble intentions.

As I watched you speak last night at a joint conference with Britain's Tony Blair, however, it occurred to me we've come full cycle. There you were, our most recent representative of our independence, conducting a show to which you had invited the leader of our former oppressor. A chance to show the world how far America has evolved toward a truly just and forthright system of rule, right? But then, when asked about

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your time with Monica Lewinsky, you responded that you ought to remain silent and that you are doing the American people a service by avoiding the question because, ultimately, it truly is not of interest to them anyway.

With all due respect, that is not your decision to make. With headlines laden with her name, it is clear we are interested. And what is as clear to me as your obligation to answer questions asked is your ability to avoid the truth. I am sure it is just as clear to the majority of my fellow citizens that your motive for evading the issue involves your reluctance to incriminate yourself further with sticky words. You mean one thing and you say another.

The worst part is, this is obvious to all Americans. In fact, we Americans have grown so accustomed to this practice we have come to expect it

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from our representatives. Ensnconed in a web of deception, we have become unable to both listen to and understand words on the same level. Although few contemplate it consciously anymore, if asked, I think an overwhelming majority would agree to my interpretation by shrugging their shoulders, chalking it up once again to the game of politics. Well sir, this is a dangerous game.

Saddam Hussein tells us he has no biological capabilities and yet somehow we are aware of dangerously abundant stores of Anthrax and other lethal weapons. And then there's you. You give a State of the Union address about every issue imaginable, domestic and foreign, remaining silent about the one issue plaguing you constantly. Would it have been too difficult for you to have mentioned it, to have acknowledged at least some discomfiture, to have expressed honestly what's on your mind?

But again, the commentators after the speech primarily discussed, not your plans for change, what you ostensibly discussed for the entire ninety minutes, but instead what we all know was your true motive, namely, how well you painted over this scandal. Your public appearances are like archaeological digs with nothing important on the surface, requiring immediate digging and probing to reveal what's real and significant.

I'm hardly declaring this scandal of utmost importance. By telling us what we've grown to expect to hear as opposed to what we ought to hear, you're not sparking international chemical warfare. I'm merely pegging your handling of it as indicative of American politics in general. Except their possible impact is not what is at stake presently; it is their present impact.

Well, if I may be frank, your excellency, you have become victim to the same circumstance as your citizens. Because you yourself cannot state simply your views with a forthright inclination to progress, you have blinded yourself to this ability in other public figures.

Two weeks ago, I went to D.C. to hear Israel's leader, Benjamin Netanyahu, speak. Without the Clintonian smiles strategically spread throughout the speech so as to make the listeners hear one thing while the President thinks another, without cue cards telling him when to furl or unfurl his eyebrows and what to say as well as what not to say, I watched the Prime Minister deliver a speech whose words, completed by his own jotting down some cursory last minute thoughts while sitting next to the podium, reflected exactly his thoughts and emotions. His only cue card was the visible fervor behind his eyes. It became clear to anyone not enveloped in political games that Netanyahu was just telling the truth.

Nevertheless, watching the news at home that night, CNN reporters, at least partially as a result of listening to you and your predecessors for too long, stated as fact that when

Netanyahu says he wants peace and that to attain it he is willing to give part of his home to a people who want nothing more than the annihilation of his people, what he's really doing is placating you, Bill Clinton, with phony words. And you interpret the Prime Minister in a similar manner.

Interviewed recently regarding this latest lady scandal, you said you were innocent but that it would be awfully difficult to prove so. It will be difficult to prove so because no one trusts you. It is clear that you now bear the burden of helplessness against an expectation of deception. Because of the two-faced diplomacy

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you have perpetuated, you have unintentionally forced our population to view your words now, your declarations of innocence, the way you have subconsciously forced us to view your everyday words—with a grain of salt.

Because of this, you ought to be especially sensitive to Netanyahu's attempt at candor and his lack of political tact. You will never be believed and America will continue to decline in democratic understanding and forthrightness unless you recognize the importance of honest diplomacy. Israel's leader is trying desperately to advance his notions of security and peace. He does not hide behind ulterior motives but rather insists on the same agreements, editing the PLO charter and punishing terrorists, which he has harped on since the 1993 OSLO accords.

Assuming your innocence in this scandal, Mr. President, you and Netanyahu are both trying to tell the truth. You're also both subject to the same contaminated climate, inhabited by an American public invested now with Clinton-marred credence—a people unable to take at face value the words of any public figure.

Do morality a favor and champion the virtues of candor and truth. Care that amid the declarations of war and painted war flags announcing "Death to Israel and Clinton," which Israeli Palestinians and other Arabs wave in angry protest to nothing, Israel sends a true message of peace and security.

Maybe, just maybe, if you tear away these levels of appearance and begin to trust, then we too will begin to trust. Then maybe we can look at the picture of George Washington in the White House and think to ourselves that the freedom and peace which he so ardently fought for is the exact freedom and peace we Americans and our Israeli ally intend to perpetuate.



SPORTS

Down the stretch to the final four

THE COLLEGE BASKETBALL SEASON IS NEARING ITS CULMINATION. March Madness is about a month away. With the tournament approaching, it seems appropriate to look at who will be contending and who will be the Cinderella teams.

First, however, the state of the college game has lost some of its luster in the past five years. With the loss of underclassmen to the NBA, there are a limited number of teams that can contend. The smaller programs, which have one good player, lose that player after one or two years. The result is that the fans watch a bunch of teams without any idea who is playing.

Sure there are a couple of players who stay for three and four years, but most coaches are playing nameless freshmen and sophomores. It makes for uninteresting basketball most of the season. In addition, there seems to be only five or six teams that have a legitimate shot at winning the title. We will not see a sleeper like North Carolina State of '83, Kansas of '88, Michigan of '89, or even last year's winner, Arizona. The elite programs like Duke, North Carolina, UCLA, Kentucky, Arizona and Kansas will always have excellent teams, and every year there will be four or five teams that will have a good enough team to reach the final eight, but not much farther. The state of college basketball is in bad shape, but with that said, the tournament will be very entertaining if the heavyweights are not upset and they end up playing each other. Here is an early glimpse of what to look for come tournament time.

As said before, there are five teams that are head and shoulders above the rest of the competition: North Carolina, Duke, Kansas, Arizona and Kentucky. Of the five teams, Kentucky seems to be the weakest only because they have no single person who can create shots and carry the team. The other four teams have multiple players who can carry the team for many games.

The strongest team in the country, bar none, is North Carolina. The Tar Heels are fresh off a thrashing of Duke in Chapel Hill. Antwain Jamison and Vince Carter have lead The Heels through the season. These two guys seem almost identical to the duo of Jerry Stackhouse and Rasheed Wallace of three years ago. Jamison and Carter have provided a year full of highlight films in just twenty-five games. But more importantly, they give Carolina an inside presence that the other teams will be hard-pressed to match. Add in addition, the one-two punch of Shammond Williams and Ed Cota, and the Heels will be difficult to beat.

Duke would be able to match up with the Heels if their star forward, Elting Brand, wasn't injured. The lack of an inside game will hurt the Blue Devils somewhere in the tournament. As good as Duke is from the outside, Kansas is as good on the inside. Raef LaFrentz is an incredible talent. Paul Pierce has played spectacularly, slashing and hitting from the outside. BUT, what hurts Kansas every year in the tournament is that they have no consistent outside shooting. A good team will play a match-up

zone against them and shoot lights out, and knock them out of the tournament.

To me, the second best team in the country is Arizona. They have three sensational players in Miles Simon, Mike Bibby and Michael Dickerson. They would seem to be vulnerable on the inside, but last year they were able to hold their own against Carolina and Kansas. Plus no team can match the Wildcats' team speed. Bibby and Simon can run and defend any duo in the country.

Do not let UCLA fool you into picking them to advance far into the tournament. They are overrated this year. With J.R. Henderson, Toby Bailey, Jelani McCoy, Kris Johnson and Baron Davis, they seem like a good pick to advance. They will not. UCLA cannot hit the three pointer consistently, and they have terrible execution in the half-court game. To win in the tournament, a team has to convert on the offensive as well as in the half-court game. That will be their undoing.

The one team that will be very dangerous, and will not sneak up on any team, is Princeton. The Tigers are for real. They already have wins over North Carolina State, Texas and Wake Forest. Although those wins may not be that impressive, their only loss of the season was by seven at North Carolina. And even in that game, Princeton shot only 6-25 from the three point line. That was by far their worst shooting game of the season. Yet despite this fact, they led in the game with just over ten minutes left. They have the best passing center in the country, perhaps even in the pro-game in Steve Goodrich. But what separates the Tigers from other contenders is that every one of their players can shoot the three point shot incredibly well. The thought here is that they make it to at least the final eight, and possibly the final four with a good draw.

Other teams that could scare some of the big guns are Stanford, UCONN, Mississippi, Arkansas, Michigan State, Utah and South Carolina. It would be a mild surprise to see these teams in the Final Four, but there are always surprises in the Big Dance.

The early Final Four picks are North Carolina, Arizona, Kansas and Princeton, with Arizona beating the Tar Heels for a second straight title. All of this could change with the way the brackets are set up, but it seems like little will change the direction of the game.

JAYME PANI  
Doc Gridiron

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The men swept as the women split the weekend's four-game battle.

Fencing warms up for tournaments

BY YONG KWON  
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The 20th-ranked Johns Hopkins men's fencing team (18-2) stretched its winning streak to 10 when they crushed all four opponents last weekend. At home, the Blue Jays battled Hunter, Virginia Tech, VMI and William & Mary—and none of them stood a chance of giving the Blue Jays a challenge as they went down 18-9, 17-10, 26-1, 19-8 respectively.

"All of our fencers fenced reasonably well and as the results tell you, the outcome was obvious," said head coach Dick Oles.

Against VMI, the Blue Jays were virtually untouched. Consisting of only beginning fencers, Virginia Military Institute lacked skills and experience.

Hunter recruited three new high school fencers in the past year, but failed to challenge the Blue Jays. Virginia Tech brought along a skilled epee fencer who won all of his battle. Nevertheless, the overall team's skill level was an obvious mismatch.

Finally, against William & Mary, the Blue Jays seemed to have a bit of trouble in the beginning. After the first round, the Blue Jays trailed 4-5, only to win the second round 6-3 and sweep the third round 9-0, showing the team's poise and maturity.

"I think the easiest meet was against VMI, obviously, because they were all beginners."

"Hunters showed us their new fencers from high school but they still needed more to even come close to beating us. Virginia Tech had this good epee fencer, but he was all that they had as you can see from the score."

"Finally, William & Mary, they were ahead of us simply because we were asleep in the first round and they were really fired up. Well, we came back and beat them like we should have," said Oles.

Their next meet is at Haverford against Army, Cornell and Vassar this weekend. This marks the final meet for the Blue Jays this year as they take on more challenges at the UAA championships and MACFA championships coming up later in the month to

early next month.

"Before we step away from the regular season, we'll much rather finish 21-2 then not. We'll keep working hard and although these three teams aren't going to just roll over for us like some other teams we played, we must compete hard and expect the worst out there."

"When our fencers give our best, we expect good things to happen and hopefully that will happen up until the end of the season," commented Oles.

Women's Fencing

First-year coach Carl Liggio successfully guided the women's team through the 1997-98 schedule as they look forward to the UAA championship at NYU on February 21-22.

Over the past weekend, the team split the 4-game battle against Temple, Stevens, Hollins and Vassar.

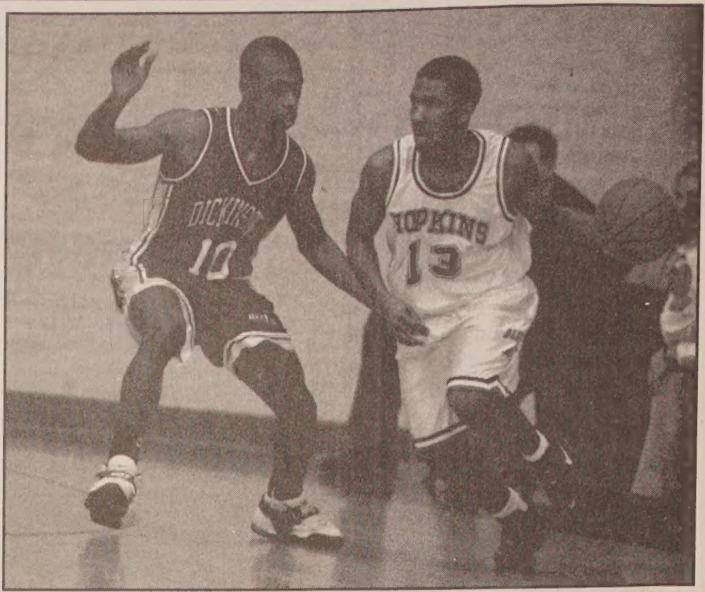
The Blue Jays suffered two losses from 11th ranked Temple and Vassar, 5-27 and 14-18, respectively. However, the Blue Jays took command against Stevens and Hollins, 18-14 and 20-12 respectively.

"It was an expected loss from the very solid and strong Temple team who are ranked 11th in the nation. However, we should have beaten Vassar. They lost to Stevens 21-11 and we beat Stevens; so we should have taken it from Vassar but we couldn't do it," said Liggio.

A bright point of the overall season was that, although the Blue Jays had only one returning starter from the past season, they were still successful with a 9-4 record.

"This year, we only had one returning fencer from last year. Taking that into account, our team did exceptional. Now that we have this year's experience under our young team's belt, and also losing just one fencer next year, we should have a strong next season," said assistant coach Bryant Haynes.

The women's team looks forward to yet more experience in the championship battles coming up later this month in UAA and NIWFA. Also, saying good-bye to just one player next year, the women's team promises to return with familiar faces and strong program next year.



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One of the league leaders in assists, guard Kamau Coar sets up another.

9-game win streak

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career-high 9 rebounds. It appears, then, that opponents can no longer hope to stop the Jays by attempting to shut down Greg Roehrig. Hopkins now features a balanced attack with 5 players averaging more than 6 ppg: Roehrig, Wertman, small forward Nino Vanin (7.4), guard Matt Geschke (6.9), and point guard Kamau Coar (6.7). Roehrig concurs, "Other teams look at our stats and see that I'm scoring most of the points, but they really can't focus

on me. We have players like Matt (Geschke) who are going to hit open shots all the time." Coar also ranks in the league leaders in assists, at 3.42 a game.

For the history books, the current 9 game streak is four shy of the school's 1992-93 record, also achieved under Nelson. Dickinson's 34 points was also the lowest point total allowed by a Blue Jay defense in over 3 decades; in 1962, Towson State mustered one less point in a 68-33 drubbing.

Swimmers primed for conferences

BY JOHN DUNLOP  
News-Letter Staff

The Women's Swimming Team hopes to capture the University Athletic Association (UAA) Conference Championship this week in Pittsburgh, PA for the first time in four years. To do so, they will have to fend off rival and defending UAA champion Emory University. Led by co-captains Heather Dowling and Rocio Lopez, the Lady Jays are focusing on their last days of training before the match-up.

"Not only do we have our biggest team in the past two years, we also have our fastest and one of the closest teams in history," said Dowling. "These three things combined will take us far in the conference meet."

Last year Emory beat second place Hopkins by 170 points at the UAA's, but the balance of power has turned this season. At the UNC Invitational Meet this January, Hopkins outscored Emory 97-43 and took first place in all but one event. However, Emory has a strong tradition and will be working to retain their title up until the day of the meet. Both teams will be tapered and in peak condition.

When asked if Emory had a chance of beating Hopkins and of winning the UAA meet, Rocio Lopez's response was certain and succinct: "None."

Heather Dowling chose to elaborate more on the issue: "Beating Emory [in January] was a great con-

fidence booster, especially for the upperclassmen who have been rivals with individuals on Emory ... Our relays will be extremely important as well, and we may even see some records go down."

Teammate Kelly Vikstrom, Hopkins best in the backstroke, is looking forward to the challenge. "I can't wait. I'm really excited. It's so much fun to be doing it again."

Throughout the ranks rings confidence in Hopkins ability to win the meet. Head Coach George Kennedy is pleased that the team has been following his formula for success. He said, "There are three things you need to do to swim fast - Do the work, rest well, and get up and go. I think we've done the work and now we're ready to just win, baby!"

Assistant Coach Pat Underwood stressed the importance of the UAA's in qualifying swimmers for the NCAA Championships in March. Four Lady Jays have already qualified - Rocio Lopez, Dana Harrar, Margaret Richards, and Emily Hunchar. "The talent is here. This is the best women's team ... we've ever had," said Underwood, "we're really excited."

The meet will be held at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA, from February 18-21, and will feature the eight teams in the UAA: Hopkins, Emory, NYU, Washington U., Carnegie Mellon, Rochester, Brandeis and Chicago.

Squash outclassed by Division II Cornell, Howe Cup this weekend

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The squash team lost 0-9 in its exhibition match against #11-ranked Cornell this past weekend at the Homewood courts. All nine players lost their matches in three games.

"Considering the discrepancy in our rankings, I think we played well," said senior co-captain Stephanie Hosea. "What was exciting was playing at home, and getting the opportunity to play a Division B team. It was a learning experience - something to grow on."

One of the closest matches was played by freshman Lindsay Clarey (4). In her second game she managed to tie her opponent 8-8, and narrowly lost the game 8-10. "I felt good about my match," Clarey commented. "I really gave her a run for her money." Sophomore Maha Aon (5) also

came close to winning her second game, losing 7-9. She said, "Cornell was tough, but I think it's good for us to get the chance to play up before our championships this weekend."

The match did not effect the team's standings, and it is ranked #22 nationally, a ranking which seeds the team #1 in Division D schools. The team is favored to win its division title at the Howe Cup National Championships at Yale this coming weekend.

"Winning our division at Howe Cup has been our goal all year," said Coach Lisa Roy. "We're hoping for some good competition and the title this year."

Division wins are scored by overall points won in all matches, rather than individual games won, and last year the team narrowly lost the division title to rival Mt. Holyoke by only five points. However, this year

Holyoke does not pose severe competition for the division title, having lost many key players to graduation last year.

At the championships Hopkins will face four teams. Among them are Mt. Holyoke, which it defeated twice (9-0 and 7-2) earlier this season, Bard, it also defeated twice (9-0 and 8-1), and Haverford, which the team defeated 8-1 at the Wesleyan Invitational. It will also play Wellesley, the one Division D team it has not yet played this season.

The team is busy preparing for the Howe Cup this weekend. The following players will represent Hopkins: Stephanie Hosea (1), Margaret Murphy (2), Monet McCorvey (3), Lindsay Clarey (4), Michal Perlstein (5), Carolyn Kim (6), Karen de Leon (7), Maha Aon (8), Susie Kurkowski (9), and Andrea Collis (10).

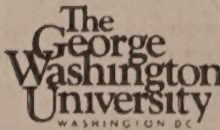
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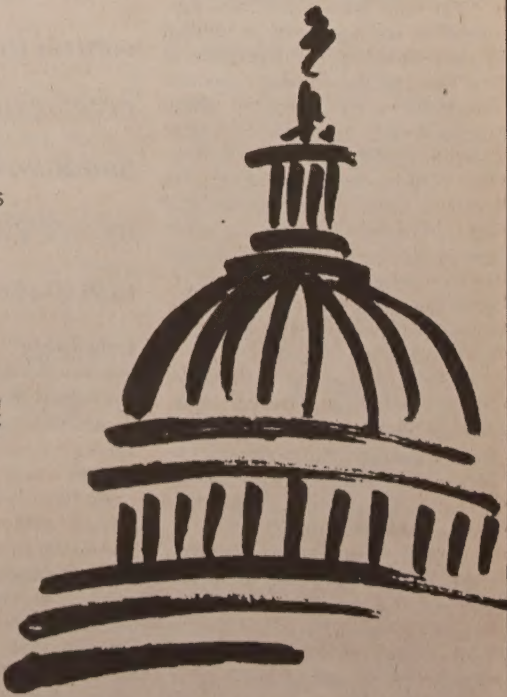
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## SPORTS

# Martin, riding the back nine

In sports, there is a time to mend rules and a time to stick by them. Each sport is different in that changing the rules can mean different things to each league.

The PGA has a chance to allow a man whose physical affliction is such that he can still play the game of golf at an elite level, but requires golf cart to get around the course, instead of the mandatory walking.

Golf is not a sport that will be severely altered if it makes an exception for one young golfer who has a circulatory problem in his leg. More importantly, changing the rules in this case for one man will not alter the course of the sport forever.

Casey Martin is a young golfer who has qualified for the PGA Tour but has a degenerative condition in his leg that requires him to use a cart on the golf course.

The PGA does not allow carts to be used in its tournaments and has said that it will not change its rules to allow Martin the use of a golf cart at tour events. The PGA is wrong in its stance. It should wake up and allow for this exception. Here is why.

First of all, are we to believe that if Casey Martin rides around on a golf cart, he has a monumental advantage over those who have to weather the elements? If so, here's a way to change that.

Furnish him with a coverless golf cart. This way he'll still have to sit in the sun and weather storms like the

GEORGE SOTERAKIS

## Short Hops

rest of the golfers. Very often in golf it is very helpful to walk the course after you take your shot. Why?

Well this allows you to clear your head and focus on the shot at hand and also allows you to get a better feel for the course conditions that day.

Ah ha, there were two handicaps (no pun intended) that Martin had to overcome already. Lets put this in perspective for one moment. This case is not one of a man wanting to change the rules of a classic game for fun or for convenience.

The man can't walk 18 holes of golf. He just can't do it. If he does then he might have to lose his leg to amputation. What would happen if say Tiger Woods went out tomorrow, got injured and had circulatory problems in his leg and could still swing and putt great but couldn't walk the 18 holes?

Are we to believe that the PGA would say "Tiger, a rule is a rule. You can't play."

Of course not. Anyone who thinks otherwise doesn't understand sports today. Name any high profile golfer (Nicklaus, Palmer, Davis Love III) and put them in Casey Martin's situation and just see how fast the rules of the game will change.

Get real, PGA. It's not like you have to be in the best condition to play

golf. Its as much a mental game as it is a physical game and Casey Martin has all the physical capabilities to play golf except that he can't walk as much as others.

This case is not relevant with regard to other sports. In other sports it is impossible for someone with Martin's affliction to play. Those sports involve running and contact and there is just no room for change.

Here, everyone walks the holes and the only contact is that made between ball and the club. Martin can do that. He just can't walk the 18 holes.

While the PGA sits back and relaxes on its green courses does it really think that this case will loom as the demise of the PGA and that hundreds of other Casey Martins will emerge from the woodwork.

If the stars of the PGA are so great, then surely they will not have any problems defeating Martin. If it makes the pros feel any better then put an asterisk after all of Martins wins saying that he rode in a cart. Who cares.

The bottom line is that the kid can play. He just can't play without riding the cart because it could mean that he'll have his leg cut off. For once the PGA should take a moment and look at reality: It is being unfair.

Casey Martin is a very brave young man. It will be a travesty of justice if the PGA does not allow him to compete at the professional level. If Martin is not allowed to ride, the already limited fan base of the PGA could get even smaller.



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The Johns Hopkins table tennis club boasts 90 members who practice three hours a day, three times a week.

## Taking ping-pong to a new level

DOMINICK TUASON  
*Club team of the week*

Part of the reason for the popularity of table tennis as a recreational sport is that it appears to be such a simple game. One does not need to be a world-class athlete to play table tennis.

Nevertheless, members of the Johns Hopkins University Table Tennis Club Team will attest to the fact that competitive table tennis requires a great deal of athletic ability. Players must possess quickness and hand-eye coordination to strike a ball that travels at speeds of up to 100 mph while spinning in every which direction.

Indeed, the leisurely nature of ping-pong games in the basement is very different from the nature of competitive table tennis, which has just recently been re-instituted at Hopkins.

Sophomore Richard Lee is responsible for the rebirth of the table tennis club, which occurred last year. "We started with just one table and played in the AMR rec rooms," recalls Lee. The program has since grown at a rapid pace, and it now has 90 members who practice three hours a day on Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday afternoons.

DOMINICK TUASON  
*Club team of the week*

Among the 90 club members, about twenty play competitively, which means that they participate in tournaments like the one sponsored by the Association of College Unions International (ACUI).

*"We started with just one table and played in the AMR rec rooms."*

—RICHARD LEE

At this regional invitational, which was held last week, Lee and freshman Jeff Hsin played well enough to qualify for the international tournament, which will be held this April in Houston, Texas.

In addition to having its individual members show off their skills in various local tournaments, JHU competes as a team in the League of Northeast Intercollegiate Table Tennis. This league consists of fifteen member

schools, including Harvard, Princeton, Carnegie Mellon, Cornell, and New York University. Currently, JHU ranks first in the eight-team Southern Division of this league.

As the table tennis club grows, financial need increases. "We're still looking for more sponsors and financial backing so that we can go to more tournaments," says Lee. In a fund-raising effort, JHU will host the March Eastern Open. It will be an invitational tournament that will welcome over 250 competitors, including three members of the 1996 Men's U.S. Olympic Team and competitors from as far as China.

After the Eastern Open in March, Lee looks forward to avenging his defeat in the championship of last year's ACUI national tournament. He lost to 1996 Olympian Todd Sweeris, who has decided not to defend his crown. Nevertheless, Lee faces competition from Sean Lonnergan, a player from the University of Maryland.

"I'm really looking forward to it," says Lee of the April tournament. "If I get to play him, I know Sean will be a tough opponent. I'll just see what happens and hope to continue to play well."

# Track running amok at F&M

Special to News Letter

The Track and Field Team traveled to Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster Saturday for the Iannicelli Track Classic. The team left Lancaster with some impressive performances and sent a signal to the rest of the conference that they will be strong come conferences.

On the men's side, the Jays were led by senior Eric Edmonds. In one of the most exciting races of the season, which came down to the final 50 meters, the senior was out-leaned, taking third in the 1500m (4:12). But Edmonds returned the favor, outkicking a CUA runner to take the 1000m crown (2:42). Also in the 1500, sophomore Jay Barry tied for eighth

in a time of 4:17, a PR for Barry.

The distance team was led by sophomore Drew Kitchen's impressive breakthrough performance in the 3000m. Kitchen, running in his first ever 3000m, took third in a blazing 9:09. Teammate Matt Wisnioski took fifth in the race, running his laps in 9:21.

Pat Rasca lead the sprinters in the 200 (24.7), along with Conor Kelly, who just trailed Rasca with a time of 24.8. Tim Leary led the field team, tossing his shot-put 39'4".

For the women, the team was led by the distance squad. In the 1000m, the women thrashed the competition, placing five blue shirts in the top seven. Joyce Hairston, Cathy Kral, Heather Relyea and Sue Kanuck took

first through fourth respectively, while Cheryl Werner took seventh. Hairston also won the 1500m in 5:02. Kral took seventh in the 3000m (11:20) and Relyea eighth (11:34). The women's sprinters were led by Nkiruka Emeagwali, who blazed her way to second place in the 55 dash with a time of 7.6.

This upcoming week, the team will travel back to the Klien Center of Dickinson to participate in the Dickinson Relays.

After that, the team will have a bye and then compete at the conference championships.

Also this week, the Outdoor team will be having a mandatory meeting for all interested in participating in outdoor track and field.

# Coach makes winners out of wrestlers

BY DAVID POLLACK  
News-Letter Staff

After a season of growing pains, the varsity wrestling team has shown promising signs for the years to come, earning two wins in the last two weeks for a very respectable 2-2 record in their final four meets of the dual-meeting season.

In their final win against Gallaudet at Western Maryland, the Blue Jays manhandled their opponents, scoring 48 points to Gallaudet's six. At NYU the week before, Hopkins proved that they could win the close one as well when they pulled out a squeaker against MIT, 21-18.

The win improved their record in games decided by fewer than five points to 2-1, but in the mind of first year coach Rob Nusum, this stat means very little.

"Our goal for this season," Nusum said. "Is to peak before the centennial conference championship."

After explaining that there was very little recruiting done in Hopkins' wrestling program prior to this season, the coach made a statement about the team's expectations for the upcoming tournament.

Citing captains Bob Riley and Jesse Armiger as wrestlers to watch for in the tournament, Nusum said that the team is aiming to finish third or fourth in the tournament. In Hopkins' first appearance in the tournament, Armiger was the only Blue Jay to win all UAA honors.

Judging by the team record, especially the fact that they have only one win in the Centennial Conference this season, it might seem that such a goal is unattainable.

Freshman, Alok Moharir, however, listed a myriad of positive qualities to the team which might lead one to think otherwise. To begin with, older wrestlers have provided much leadership by example.

"They came in, like us, without much experience," Moharir said. "And they constantly work hard to improve."

Moharir took special notice of captain Jesse Armiger, whose 11-5 record is the best on the team and is, he says, "a reflection of how hard he wrestles

during matches and practices. It's encouraging to see how much he has improved over the season and what a high level he's reached." To go along with his wrestling, Armiger is also a star student who boasts a 3.9 GPA and was nominated for the NCAA Academic All-American team.

Coach Nusum has also played no small part in the success of the team. According to Moharir, Nusum has "done a great job in pinpointing the weaknesses in my wrestling and helping me to make the necessary changes."

JHU also has momentum on its side. Despite losing the last game of the season, the team has amassed wins in back-to-back weekends, including the dominant performance versus Gallaudet at Western Maryland, last Friday.

"It was a strong performance," Moharir said. "We just shut them down. We got the pins early and they never came back."

Another facet to Hopkins mental attitude for the tournament is the fact that, unlike the Eastern Regional tournament, a week later, these games will be played against Hopkins' rivals.

"We play these guys all year and rivalries build up," Moharir said. "There's some pride at stake."

Although the team is clearly concentrated on the Centennial Conference Championship, we have the opportunity to look ahead to the Eastern Regionals, at Ursinus, on the 20 and 21 of the month. The competition will be stiffer and, Moharir admits, "more individual."

One name to look out for in that tournament, as well as the upcoming one is Cory Falgowski. Improving steadily throughout the year, he has maintained a 7-12 overall record with an impressive 4-1 record against the Centennial Conference. In next weekend's tournament, he is seeded second behind only the number seven wrestler in the conference, who he fought well in a prior match losing only 4-0.

The Blue Jays hope that they have learned from their early season woes and will make a big splash in the tournament this weekend.

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# SNAPSHOT

Come cheer on the Men's Basketball team in the biggest game of the season February 13th at 7:30 p.m. at the White Center. It's a showdown for first place in the Centennial Conference with the Diplomats of Franklin and Marshall. Bring a date!!

# Greg Roehrig, a shooting star



COURTESY SPORTS INFORMATION

Roehrig is currently ranked fifth among the Conference's leading scorers.

C o-captain and three-time All-Centennial Conference player, Greg Roehrig leads the front court for the Men's Basketball team in another successful season. The team, with an overall record of 16-4 and a Conference record of 8-1, looks towards a consecutive Division title and an appearance in the NCAA tournament. The 6'7" forward reflects on the strengths of the season: "I'm very impressed with the team this year. We are able to put any player into the game at any time. All of the players get in and contribute. Our greatest strength is the defense—our defense is first in the Conference. This is so important to the game. The defense can produce a good offense. Some days you shoot well and some days you don't, but you can always count on the players to hustle and concentrate."

"Our offense is extremely versatile; if someone is having a bad night, we can easily bring in another player. There are so many threats and weapons. Because we have so much young

## MEGAN BENNER Athlete of the week

talent, every position is flexible and in case of a height mismatch, we can switch things around. This is good to do anyway. After a few games into the season, the other teams scout you out and try to anticipate your play. We try to change it around so we don't become too predictable."

Roehrig excels as an offensive player. Throughout his 90-game career, he has accumulated over 1450 points (averaging 17 pts a game) and is currently ranked 5th among the Conference's leading scorers.

On the January 31 game against Western Maryland, Roehrig scored a total of 20 points. With his height and speed, Roehrig is an excellent blocker and rebounder. His strong point is, however, his shooting. This skill has enabled him to play all three forward positions and, because of this versatility, he is one of the team's greatest assets. "I've played three different positions; depending on who else is playing, I can

play inside or outside. I am comfortable at each position."

One of the most notable qualities of the 1997-1998 team is their speed. "Although we were really great last year, this year, instead of strength, we have more quickness at each position. Our style has changed, our pace is quicker, and our shooting from the perimeter is much better."

Part of Roehrig's enjoyment of basketball comes not just from the excitement of playing, but also from being a part of the team. "My teammates have become my best friends. I'm happy with my position and role on the team. I enjoy being captain and a leader. I like to motivate the younger guys and share what I've learned."

Roehrig explains how he started playing, "I started kind of late—I didn't play until freshman year in high school. Before that, I had played soccer. When I got to high school, I grew quite a bit and decided to try basketball. I started to play for some really great coaches who improved my game and I would play with my older and younger brothers in the driveway. As I got taller, I just migrated towards basketball."

"I think part of what motivates me is the fact that I hate to lose and I think that when I try something, I should do the best I can. This pushes me into the gym and makes me try to improve. Also, being around other goal-oriented people helps to motivate you."

When asked how he felt about having his younger brother, David, on the team, Roehrig replied, "I like it a lot. There are three years difference in our ages so I didn't get to play in high school with him much. I love playing with him. We know each other's game and that helps on the court. We help each other out with constructive criticism. I like that I can share some advice, that I can teach him a few things so that he can have as good a time as I did."

As the team approaches their final games (three of which are held on the home court), Roehrig continues to motivate the team towards a championship, "Our team goal is to maintain the defense that will take us to the NCAA tournament."

This Saturday may be the biggest game of the season. Hopkins faces Conference rival Franklin & Marshall in a battle for 1st place. This game promises to be one of the most exciting of the season, so come and cheer on Hopkins' best!

# Jays clinch western division

BY GEORGE C. WU  
News-Letter Staff

Hopkins sophomores Leslie Ritter and Marjahna Segers both contribute 10 points in the second half of the Blue Jays' second regular season game against Gettysburg, Tuesday, as the JHU women's basketball team proved, with a 71-49 win, that they were faster and more explosive than the speeding Bullets.

"We are looking inside a lot more and the defense is what gives us our offense. Every team steps up to try to beat us, because we are undefeated for two years, but we play best at home and we totally feed off the fan support," said Segers.

The Newton H. White Athletic Center was packed full of cheering fans, supportive loved ones, rowdy fraternity brothers, high flying cheerleaders, the captivated press, and serious sports enthusiasts. The crowd was not disappointed, as the team fed off the vibes and performed. Gettysburg was the subject of many witty chants, which highlighted every Bullet mistake.

"The fan support was great. They really motivated us and we felt that they really appreciated us, so it's neat!" said senior Angie Arnold.

Hopkins successfully clinched the Western Division Title of the Centennial Conference with the victory, their 29th consecutive Centennial Conference regular-season win. Hopkins also improved their home winning streak to 19 games, which dates back to last season. The Jays are now 19-2 and 11-0 CC.

The Jays have won the Western

scoreboard			
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL			
HOME	Dickinson (6-12 c.c. 3-6)	63	
VISITOR	Hopkins (18-2, c.c. 10-0)	86	

title four straight times and is on pace to finish the regular season undefeated in the conference during the regular season two years in a row.

Hopkins came out strong and focused to start the game and jumped out to a 17 point lead to end the half. Senior Julie Anderson scored 13 points and grabbed seven rebounds during the first twenty minutes of play, before ending the match with a game high 18 points and 16 rebounds, her 13th double-double of the season.

Marjahna powered her way to the hoop to finish the game with 15 points and nine rebounds. She also blocked two shots. Ritter broke a few ankles with her behind-the-back and cross-over dribbles and ended the night with 12 points, shooting 57.1% from the field.

Gettysburg was able to pressure Arnold enough to drop her shooting percentage to about 15%. Arnold averages about 40%, but went 2-13 field goals against the Bullets. She made it up with her free-throws though, hitting six for six from the line. The guard also led the team with six assists.

Anderson and Arnold have been the team's dynamic duo for four years, but Marjahna and Ritter have consistently shown that they can also be a killer one, two punch.

Last Saturday, Hopkins defeated Centennial foe Dickinson on the road 86-63. Anderson scored 21 points and pulled down 17 rebounds.

Three other Jays reached double-figures in scoring against Dickinson. Segers had 16 points, Arnold contributed 14, and Ritter added 10.

Sophomore guard Katie Fitzgerald also returned to the JHU lineup after a wrist fracture kept her out of the game for a month. Coming off the bench, she tallied seven points and made three assists in just 14 minutes of play. Freshman center Erin Perry also chipped in with a career high seven points.

Hopkins will be the top seed for the Western Division and the top two teams from each division qualify for the Centennial Conference semifinals.

The top seed in the West plays the second seed in the East and vice-versa. The championship game is played at the site of the top remaining seed from the West. If both West teams are eliminated, then the game is hosted by the top seed from the East.

The Jays will face Franklin & Marshall this Saturday and then travel to Western Maryland before next Saturday's Alumni match.

"We're not looking too far ahead, because Franklin & Marshall is a better team than when they came to Homewood in January and they also beat Gettysburg. We have to play tougher when we have the lead and not just sit on it. We need to work on consistency, because we still have lapses where we give up too much inside," said Blank.



FILE PHOTO

Saturday night the Jays play host to F&M in what figures to be the the regular season's biggest showdown.

# Game of year up next for Jays

BY WAQAR HASIB  
News-Letter Staff

The Jays extended their season high nine-game winning streak last week with a pair of victories over Dickinson, 66-34, and Haverford, 70-58. They return home Valentine's weekend for their final three games of the season. Those three games will likely determine whether the Jays should pack their bags for the Centennial Conference playoffs.

Let's take a look at the possible scenarios, keeping in mind that only the top two teams in the division qualify for postseason play. Hopkins will most likely advance to the playoffs, unless they lose their last three games. They currently sit atop the Western division with an 8-1 Conference record, clinging to a tenuous one-game lead over the Franklin and Marshall Diplomats.

But Saturday night, the Jays play host to F&M at Homewood in what figures to be the regular season's biggest showdown. A Blue Jay victory clinches the top spot in the division and guarantees home-court advantage throughout the playoffs.

A loss, though, and the Jays fall into a first-place tie with F&M. In that scenario, the Jays would most likely have to travel to Muhlenberg, the

scoreboard			
MEN'S BASKETBALL			
HOME	Haverford (6-14, c.c. 3-6)	58	
VISITOR	Hopkins (16-4, c.c. 8-1)	70	

Eastern division's top seed, in the first round. To make matters more complicated, Western Maryland visits Homewood on Feb. 18 in what will be for them a must-win situation.

So, to cut to the chase, a victory Saturday night means Hopkins will host the playoffs and championship game. A loss, and well... we won't think about that right now.

The biggest factor in Saturday night's marquee matchup will probably be the health of sophomore forward Joel Wertman, who twisted his ankle in last week's victory over Haverford. He will be out of action for this Wednesday's game against Gettysburg, but hopes to be back in the starting lineup to take on the Diplomats. "He should be ready by then," reassured Head Coach Bill Nelson.

Wertman has established himself as a major scoring and rebounding threat in the lane during the Jays' recent win streak, and is now the

team's second leading scorer at 7.8 ppg, behind senior Greg Roehrig, at 15.9. "(Joel) gives us an offensive boost... he's one of our quickest post players, and has an excellent first step," said Nelson.

The coach also said that lately teams have been "keying in" on Roehrig, which leaves Wertman open much of the time. He led the team with 17 points and 10 boards last week against Dickinson, a game in which the Blue Jay defense held the Red Devils to only 23 percent shooting. He then hit for 13 points at Haverford, before his ankle forced him out of the game.

Senior center-forward Evan Ellis and sophomore Jon Olson will see extra playing time while Wertman heals. Their play, and the contributions of the rest of the bench, give Nelson confidence that the team can extend its winning streak through the final homestand and into the postseason.

Against Haverford, for example, the Jays got into foul trouble early, but were bailed out by strong performances from a trio of sophomores: Olson, Quinn Kerrigan, and Ryan Satalin. Satalin scored 7 points in seven minutes, including a clutch three pointer, and Kerrigan added

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Julie Anderson led the Jays to their 29th consecutive conference victory against Gettysburg Tuesday.



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## Romance

... au cinéma

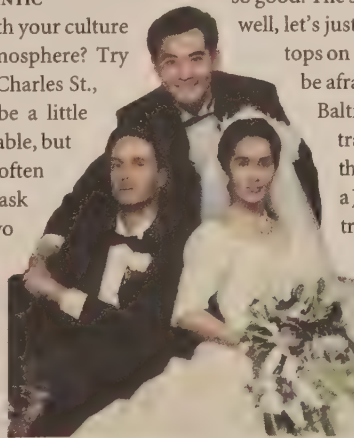
BY KARI ROSENTHAL  
News-Letter Staff

Oh, l'amour! It makes the world go round, it's blind, and it makes people spend crazy amounts of time and money trying to impress that special someone. This Valentine's Day, when you think of the most romantic places in the world, think Paris, think Rome, think... Baltimore?

That's right, Baltimore. Good old Charm City has a cache of fine restaurants that will overwhelm even the most cold-hearted lover. And what would dinner be without a movie? Here's a list of some of the best area eateries coupled with the most appropriate romantic movies. Now, *that's* amore!

### FOR THE HOPELESS ROMANTIC

Do you want to wow your date with your culture and your knack for the perfect atmosphere? Try Louie's the Bookstore Cafe (518 N. Charles St., 410-962-1224). The waitstaff may be a little slow, and the food is often unpredictable, but that's all erased by the mood music (often live) and the romantic atmosphere (ask for the upstairs if possible). You two lovebirds can cuddle up and share the appetizer called okonomi-yaki, a delicious Japanese pancake with a light plum sauce. For dinner, try the Chestertown Chicken. But those are all just details. The most important part of a trip to Louie's is dessert.



And if a slice of their pecan pie won't melt his/her heart, nothing will.

After dinner, head over to Video Americain and check out *Say Anything*. This ode to high school love still is one of the most romantic movies ever made. The reluctant romance between geeky John Cusack and brainy Ione Skye will inspire even the most disheartened lover. And if you ever hear "In Your Eyes" by Peter Gabriel without thinking of the John Cusack-with-the-radio scene, you are so cold no amount of pecan pie could ever help you.

**Other choices:** *Sabrina* (the original one), *The Cutting Edge*, *While You Were Sleeping*.

### FOR THE QUIRKY PERSON

Your date a little offbeat? No problem! Try Matsuri (1105 S. Charles St., 410-752-8561) for dinner. It seems like a tiny hole-in-the-wall, but hole-in-the-wall food has never tasted so good. The service is frighteningly prompt and the food... well, let's just say that if I ever get married, Matsuri will be tops on my catering list. For all you timid types, don't be afraid of the raw fish. This is the best sushi in the Baltimore area, hands down. Matsuri serves the traditional Japanese fare at excellent prices, and they have best dinner specials I have ever eaten at a Japanese restaurant. If your date loves sushi, one trip to Matsuri will make him/her yours.

And after dinner, try going Australian with *Strictly Ballroom*, the best thing to come from Down Under since *Men At Work*. This offbeat love story chronicles the blossoming love affair between a championship ballroom dancer and an ugly duckling desperate for a partner. If the over-the-top performances

don't make you laugh, then their costumes will. The final scene of the movie has a dance routine so great that it makes *Dirty Dancing* look like a middle-school social.

**Other choices:** *Chasing Amy*, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, *Annie Hall*.

### FOR THE SINGLE

V-Day got you down? Need comfort? For the ultimate comfort food, try Talk 'N Turkey (The Gallery at Harbor Place, 410-837-3033) on the fourth floor of the Gallery at the Inner Harbor. Admittedly, I have only eaten one item on the menu: the Thanksgiving Sandwich. And that's all I need to eat.

### Picture this:

fresh roasted turkey covered with warm stuffing and topped with cranberry sauce all sandwiched between two thick slices of bread.

Make you feel a little less sad about being single? And for the weight-conscious, this treat's low-fat. That is, until you visit Godiva Chocolates downstairs. (Oh, and gentlemen, if the sandwich doesn't satiate your appetite, you could always visit Hooters [301 Light St., 410-244-0367] across the street.)

After your meal, you guys should try renting *Total Recall*. Not only is it one of the bloodiest movies ever made, you also

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# Asian Sorority Girls

BY YOUNG CHANG  
News-Letter Staff

After eight weeks of lost freedom, tears shed and time consumed, sophomore Gloria Cha, a.k.a. "Smurfette," says she has "something eternal." Partly lit by the glow of a dim chandelier in the Baltimore Hilton Ballroom, Cha's eyes are excited and her rapid speech driven by a pink-faced assertiveness. "I feel like I have a group of girls I can turn to no matter what," she says. "I feel security and trust. Giving up my freedom for eight weeks has given me a treasure of a lifetime." And this is why the women of Alpha Kappa Delta Phi are celebrating.

Alpha Kappa Delta Phi, the first Asian Interests Sorority at Hopkins, was founded last October and formally installed as a colony on January 31, 1998. Headed by president Angela Sung, junior, this 11-member group is elated because they have just finished crossing, the official ceremonial induction of each member as a sister.

But everyone remains tight-lipped about the specific tasks involved in crossing. It is reportedly confidential sorority information, and sophomore Hoyin Tjio, a.k.a. "Martini," shares only that there was a gift exchange. A representative from the University of Austin, Texas, attended the ceremony to present a paddle from the Austin colony, and brothers from Lambda Phi Epsilon also presented the group with a customary sorority paddle. The paddles are kitschy, but so much so that they are meaningful. Public gift exchanges between the 11 sisters ensued. It is the feeling of having begun something, of having been

formalized as an existing body. It is the pride of having completed the logistics of founding an organization, and the bond of having done it together. To celebrate, Alpha Kappa Delta Phi is having a party, with 150-200 guests expected. But Sung, a.k.a. "Maleficent," says "We're celebrating, but we're happy even to celebrate with just each other, because we're just so happy."

So the sisters of the first Asian Interests Sorority are happy. But their emotion is not booze-induced nor a perfunctory high. The organization has goals, and their high-wired enthusiasm is planned to serve the Hopkins campus through community service and building Asian awareness.

Sung saw a need to found this group for three reasons. She considered the traditions set by Lambda Phi Epsilon to be vital to Hopkins, thought the campus deserved an Asian-interest group specific to women, and had confidence that enough Hopkins undergraduates would be receptive. The group also adheres to five core beliefs: sisterhood, scholarship, leadership, Asian awareness, and service. Having now been established as a colony, Sung plans to begin rushing for new members during the upcoming Fall semester. Until then, they will continue getting acquainted with each other while organizing pre-rush activities.

With 11 founding members each occupying a position, a

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# VALENTINE'S WISHES



## L is for the way you look at me

to Dr. Doug E. Fresh—  
hope you can perscribe something  
for my love-sickness!  
—Killer

Angel,  
I can't imagine what my life here would  
have been like without you, I love you.  
I will always be here for you, I will  
never stray I am yours forever. Be my  
Valentine always.  
I love you,  
Gaby

"Do you lose as gracefully as you win?"  
one archscoundrel asked  
Bond. "I don't know," Bond shrugged  
elegantly. "I've never lost."  
nik- How sexy is this, "The worker can  
not give up the capitalist class  
unless he gives up his identity"-Marx.  
So bona to vada, haeng bok hae yo.  
Sarang, rsm (p.a.f.)

paulina  
i like you. happy valentine's day.  
love nadine

Laurel,  
Back in "1912," I left you a message here  
asking you out for dinner,  
hoping that you would see it and we  
would fall in love. Well, things  
didn't work out as planned but we did  
fall in love! Let's try this again, will you  
be my Valentine?  
Love,  
Russell  
P.S. mwa!

chicken  
it is too bad that  
you are gay.  
a.v.

Moni,  
Atcha, oi Gilman Building to church na  
ki? Ami tomake Bhalobashi.  
-tomar chundur cheli

r.s.m.  
you may be the loveliest Bee,  
but remember who has  
all the moves. from the one with  
the lovely \*eek\* and \*riah\*  
love,  
n.i.k.

To my Bass Assassin,  
I'm yours, today and forever.  
I love you.  
your pie pie

## O is for the only one I see

To Seema,  
Happy V-Day to the girl in my life who  
makes me laugh (even when I'm not  
happy), dance (even though I suck), and  
eat less meat (because I should).  
Our differences fit each other lock and  
key, and I love you for opening me when  
no one else can.

Love,  
Kevin



## V is very very extraordinary

N.,  
Give up on your lacrosse boys and  
marry a real man like me...  
Always,  
J.

Nia,  
I know it's a little late, but I'd really like to  
go to the prom with  
you  
Rob



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moof-  
moof...ughhhh.  
te amor  
c.l.b.

Dear Russell,  
Falling in love with you has been the  
best experience of my whole life.  
I will always treasure the memories we  
have created, and I am looking forward  
to all of our future endeavors (YAY! St.  
Lucia!) You're the best,  
baby. Don't ever change. MWA!  
All my love,  
Laurel

Purpose,  
Trusting is simple,  
because I trust in you.  
Believing is easy,  
because I believe in us.  
Loving is living and you are my hero.  
Thank you.  
Desire

Dear PB,  
Don't you dare give up! I won't.  
Periwinkle-  
Love Always,  
SB

"Sister Bomz, you are the Greatest Gift."  
Unnie.

Dear Features writers & cartoonists,  
Happy Valentine's Day. We love you to  
the point of obsession. We have your  
phone numbers.  
Love and kisses,  
Allan and Sara

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warning: where is the orangutan  
thing? (insert p.c.)  
i'm still waiting...moof.  
love  
nadine

E is even more than  
any any anyone  
you could adore





# FEATURES

## Delving into the used bookstores of Charles Village

BY ALLAN MASSIE  
News-Letter Staff

With the start of the Spring semester, Hopkins students recently took part in the familiar ritual of textbook-buying. They lined up in the well-known Johns Hopkins Book Center to shell out a lot of money for books that they don't usually really want.

While everybody knows where to go to for textbooks, not everyone knows about the numerous used bookstores, within blocks of the Homewood campus, where students can shell out only a few bucks for books they actually want to read.

While most Hopkins students don't know much about Charles Village shopping beyond Eddie's Market and the Schnapp Shop, the area boasts a number of good used bookstores. Each store has great deals on obscure books, and each has its own rare finds.

You can't count on most used bookstores to stock the latest John Grisham novel, but you can count on odd and interesting books on every subject. Whether you're shopping for something exciting to read or just looking for a way to spend an

afternoon, the used bookstores in Charles Village are worth checking out.

### Allen's Book Shop

Allen's Book Shop is a cozy little store tucked away on the second floor of a building, above a furniture workers' union. The cramped interior is filled with used and rare books, mostly hardcover and tending toward the esoteric. Classical music wafts from hidden speakers. Rare comic books, drawings of authors and cartoons about coffee line the walls. A statue of Abraham Lincoln sits near the entrance.

Located at 416 31st street, it's an easy ten-minute walk from campus. Allen's is open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and from 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Here's a sketch of what to expect at Allen's:

**Strengths:** The category in which Allen's is the uncontested champion—and it's hard to determine who would come in second—is old cookbooks. Every cuisine of the world is represented at Allen's, and by no means are all cookbooks in English.

Other well-represented categories include philosophy, humor, classic and modern fiction, math, history and

poetry. Several shelves are classified as "Marylandia." Rare books (at least, really really old books) are scattered more or less at random through the selection.

**Weaknesses:** The books at Allen's are expensive for a used bookstore, perhaps because most of the books are hardcover. Also, few of the books are less than ten years old.

Some of the stranger titles to be found at Allen's include *The Cuisine of Hungary* for \$10.00, and *Housekeeping in Old Virginia*, published in 1879, for \$12.50. *Playboy's Vargas Girls: in full color—fifty years of beauty by Playboy's favorite delineator of the American Girl*, featuring a large, slightly blurry photo of a woman in a pose not often associated with girls, runs for \$25.00. *1001 questions answered about trees* sells for \$10.00, or a penny a question, with one bonus question. Allen's did stock *The tale of Genji*, the oldest novel in the world, written by Lady Murasaki, for \$3.00 until this writer picked it up while researching this article.

### Normal's Book & Records

Across the street from Allen's sits Normal's Book & Records, which

regularly wins the *City Paper's* award for the best used bookstore in Baltimore. You could get lost in Normal's, and you wouldn't mind if you did. Open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends, Normal's offers a wide collection of records and CDs in addition to shelf after shelf of used books.

**Strengths:** Everything. The breadth of selection rivals Border's in Towson. The many categories include Plays, Linguistics, Chess, literature of every kind, "Community/ Utopia," "Freud/ Jung/ Reich," "Dogs+Cats" and "Magic; Beatniks, & Life on the Margins." A rack in one corner boasts a sizeable selection of underground magazines.

**Weaknesses:** Um, backpacks have to be checked at the front desk.

Among the more interesting titles at Normal's is *The Gays Among Us*, published in 1968, for \$2. *Working for Capitalism* sucks \$3 from the proletariat. *It ain't as easy as it looks: Ted Turner's amazing story* runs for an amazing \$12.50. The back cover of *A Hawaiian Reader* brags: "Mark Twain would have recommended this book with jubilant enthusiasm." Now you can have it for \$2.50.

### BNN Books

BNN Books, located on 25th Street just off of Charles St., is a nonprofit bookstore with prices to match. BNN's selection tends to be newer and more mainstream than those at the other stores, although it also has its share of oddities, including an ample Irish History category (with no other nationality so dignified). If you ask to take a picture of the interior of the store, the clerk will let you, but he'll ask you for ID first. BNN Books is open from Tuesday to Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Strengths:** Price, price, price. BNN has a large table of both fiction and nonfiction books for a quarter each, or five for a dollar. There's even a box of free books out in front. A free issue of the *Baltimore Chronicle* is included with every purchase.

**Weaknesses:** Further from campus than the other two.

Books found at BNN include several \$10 Orgo textbooks, as well as *The Marx-Engels Reader* for \$2. *Drinking: A Love Story* runs to \$4, just in time for Valentine's Day; lovebirds may also want to spend \$3 on *Open Marriage: A*



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**Books at Normal's spill off of the shelves and onto the floor.**

*New Life Style For Couples* for that special someone. Matt Groening's *Big Book Of Hell*, in the humor section, costs a not-so-hellish \$10. Books on the 25-cent table include

Ian Fleming's *Doctor No*, as well as *Build your own low-cost Postscript Printer and save a bundle*. *Manikoff's Lusty Europe* is among the books in the free box out front.

## War and Peace

### JHU Model UN whoops it up at Harvard

BY EVA CHEN  
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The employees at the Park Plaza in Boston had never experienced such an onslaught of college revelry as the forty-fourth session of the Harvard Model United Nations Conference. One bellhop's comment appropriately summarized the event, "It's like being invaded by locusts."

Such was the scene when sixteen members from the Hopkins MUN team arrived in practically sub-zero weather to debate issues pertinent to international affairs. While reenacting a meeting of the United Nations, student delegates formed committees that debated mock resolutions which reflected each nation's political agendas, while striving to reach compromises with other nations.

While this may seem like an easy escape from Chem Lab and Orgo section, the grueling nine hour sessions could be worse than having to relive last semester's finals. Twenty-ounce Starbucks coffee cups almost became a mandatory fashion accessory as students, exhausted by a

people who would take the elevator from the lobby to the mezzanine, or the pickup lines from the seemingly desperate West Point men.

On a more positive note, however, the conference provided a forum for students across the world to discuss the very problems that the real United Nations is grappling with, such as urban health, land mine disarmament and developing science and technology.

Gabe Perdue found that his science background proved beneficial in his committee. "As a physics major in the Commission for Science and Technology, I had a great time shooting down all the ideas from the Poli. Sci. and IR majors who had no idea what they were talking about," he commented.

Debate often grew so intense that countries unofficially declared war on others, with ambassador kidnapping complete with ransom notes and Polaroids of gagged and bound dummies. On a more generic level, when countries weren't declaring war upon each other, they were forming alliances to write resolutions and amendments for their respective topics. Some alliances were particularly interesting—in the World Health Organization, Iraq, USA and Poland joined forces to write a comprehensive resolution promoting women's health.

While not in session, Boston provided ample distractions including food of a variety other than the Ter-race genre, shopping of a non-Towson (Contempo Casuals) sort and many other diversions. Of course, the conference-sponsored delegate dance was a dismal flop, with at most 60 students (out of 2000-plus) dancing away to the melodies of Will Smith and Chumbawumba, but Harvard University played host to many students seeking parties on the weekend evenings.

Unfortunately, as Wiard put it, "Harvard's social life is worse than Hopkins... at least we have parties with more than six people in the room."

In spite of lost class time and the extreme fatigue, the delegates came away with a sense of accomplishment and in the case of three Hopkins students, Elisa Joy Jones, Seema Menon and Matt Horowitz, even with an award or two.

The Hopkins MUN group looks forward to the next conference at the University of Virginia and planning their own conference this spring.



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**Allen's books, a five-minute walk away from campus, has books about everything from "Marylandia" to Hungarian cuisine. Allen's is one of several used bookstores within walking distance of Johns Hopkins.**

## Local newscasts: It's a pretty ugly scene, Bob

**G**ood evening. This is Eyewitness Skyview Storm Team Late Breaking Local News on Channel 6.5, broadcasting live via satellite from our state-of-the-art Styrofoam set in the Channel 6.5 NewsCenter.

There's nothing more frightening than sitting on your couch and hear-

Early this morning, three armed youths forced their way into the shelter and held the workers at gunpoint while they stole the giblets from 27 turkeys.

**Anchor:** [With a concerned, ponderous look—as if the stolen giblets had been her own.]

Do the police have any leads, Warren?

**Correspondent:** [Nodding his head, looking highly interested in this probing question.]

Yes, Buffy, the police believe they have a strong lead and are currently pursuing it in a local donut shop.

**Anchor:** [With the most grave look in human history on her face. Trying to convey dis-

Well, Warren, that sounds promising. Let's hope that those giblets find their way home.

[Several grave, affirmative nods.] While the plight of the homeless, especially during major holidays, is very important to me, I couldn't give a damn about missing giblets. Nobody really likes them anyway. They just get in the way of the gravy.

But that's not the point. The point is that these are the kinds of stories that local news brings us. Most of the stories they cover are inane.

So, how can we change local news? How can we make it interesting? How can we make it something the whole family can enjoy?

Well, the first priority is

"Tickle Me Barbie" or something like that.

Making the kids go outside and play would get rid of numerous stupid local news stories. For example, one of my hometown news stations has something called "Kid Cam" every day. It's basically just home movie footage shot at some school assembly and showing a bunch of little kids running around like demons. And the voice-over goes something like this: "Cute second graders at the Rick James Elementary School spent today learning how to tie their left shoes. Tomorrow, the students will enjoy milk and cookies before undertaking the challenge of tying their right shoes."

The other easy way to improve local news is to throw weather forecasters in jail for telling jokes. They must teach a course in meteorology school called, "1001 jokes that are funny only to meteorologists or people who know exactly what the hell Doppler radar actually does."

Of course, weather persons only laugh at these jokes because they feel obligated to.

But if we eliminate all the horseplay that goes into weather forecasting today, we could avoid that two-minute period of awkwardness at the end of the broadcast where, while the meteorologist is still laughing at his joke about winter storms, long underwear and flagpoles, the anchors smile at each other and pretend to be the only two people on Earth who understand what meteorologist Paul "Westerly" Windbag just said.

Getting rid of kid features and cutting down on the shenanigans of your local meteorologist would be two big steps in improving local news. But things probably won't get any better. And if they don't, let's start canceling local news and replace it with *MacGyver* reruns.

### TOMGUTTING From the Gutt

ing something like that come on TV. Regularly watching local news is one of the leading causes of suicide today.

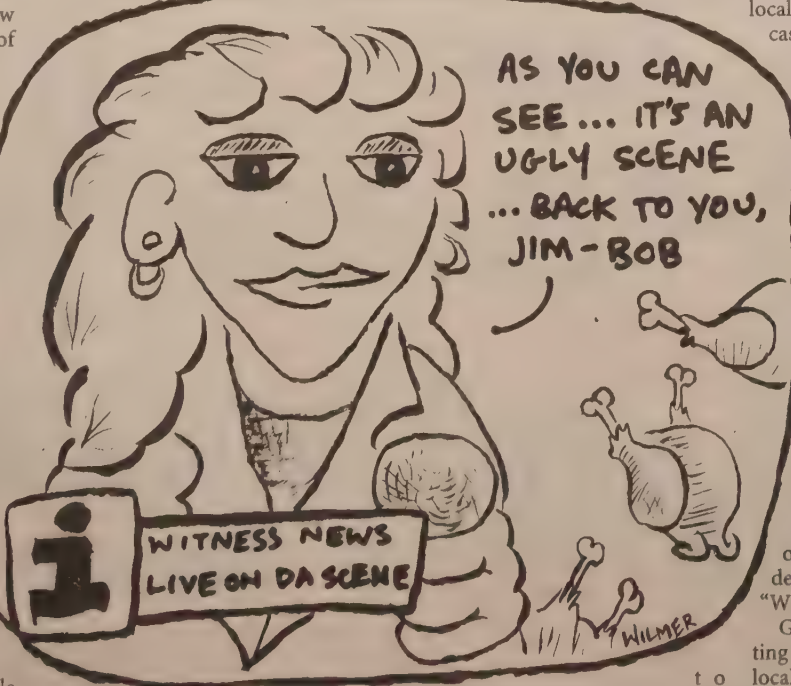
It doesn't matter where you live—Indiana, like me, or Alaska or New York or California—the quality of local news always measures up to the same standard. Take this example from a typical local news broadcast:

**Buffy the Anchorperson:** Let's turn now to a disturbing story from the Pigsknuckle Homeless Shelter this Thanksgiving. Apparently, some worthless, soulless piece of human flesh stole all the giblets from the shelter's Thanksgiving Turkeys. For more on this story, let's go to Eyewitness Skyview Storm Team Late Breaking Local News correspondent Warren Makeup.

**Correspondent:** [In front of homeless shelter, crossing a trash-covered street as he speaks, desperate-looking people in the background.]

Thanks, Buffy. Indeed, this Thanksgiving has a tragic side. While most people in Pigsknuckle are sitting down to enjoy their delicious turkey dinners, all hope has been stolen from the Homeless Shelter this Turkey Day. You might say hope was taken from their very souls.

get for the thieves and sympathy for the homeless at the same time. In a voice more distraught than if she had announced that the president was dead.]





## FEATURES

# Dolling it up, little by little

## Homewood House presents new exhibit of miniature furniture

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It seems that lately everyone subscribes to the theory that "Bigger is better." We want big-screen TV's and larger cars. We seek apartments with more rooms and look for more dollar bills out of our paychecks.

But remember way back when things that were small, just our size, were so cool? We parked our Little Tykes convertibles next to Dad's big Chevy in the driveway, and made teeny tiny models of Mom's kitchen in our Barbie Dream Houses.

The Homewood House Museum's new exhibit, "Small, Smaller, "Smallest: Adult's Delight, Children's Enchantment," appeals to that childhood fascination with things petite.

The exhibit, which runs through March 29, consists of three sizes of miniature furniture: "Small," furniture designed for children to use; "Smaller," furniture used as craftsmen's samples; and "Smallest," furniture to be placed in doll houses. The pieces are displayed throughout the museum's two exhibit halls and nine period rooms.

The "Small" furniture was designed for use by young children. The idea for adult furniture made on a smaller scale stemmed from pre-Enlightenment philosophy in Europe. Children were seen as adults who had not yet physically grown, disregarding emotional maturity. The furniture is placed within the museum's rooms among the full-size furniture, making the tiny proportions seem even more amusing. It's like the scene in *Alice in Wonderland* where Alice opens the door to find herself surrounded by chairs and tables that are just so small.

Detail was not sacrificed in the making of this "kid stuff." Our plastic Fisher Price picnic tables were never as ornate as this. The majority of furniture miniaturized for children came in the form of chairs, and every effort was made to make them as authentic

as the Chippendales their parents sat upon. Delicate carvings into the legs and arms of the chairs and plush, velvety cushioning on the seat make these tiny wondersevens more extraordinary.

The "Smaller" furniture in the exhibit was formerly used as craftsmen's samples in furniture shops. Because the actual chairs and sofas crowded a furniture shop, it was common for shopkeepers to display miniatures in the windows. This was in the 18th and very early 19th centuries, predating catalogues and graphic advertising.

During this time, it was also common for an apprentice to create a piece of miniature furniture as an exercise in dexterity and skill before he actually "graduated." These days, the "Smaller" furniture is used chiefly for decoration, on windowsills and in display cases.

The definite crowd-pleaser on display is the "Smallest" furniture. Any little girl who's had a doll house, and even any little brother who came and wrecked the way she set it up, can

appreciate these teeny pieces. They can be found in varying sizes, but in recent years the standard size has come to be a scale of one foot to one inch.

The doll furniture on display in the museum is of the highest quality; chances are you won't find anything like this in Toys-R-Us. Though the majority of it is homemade, there is still a precision and decoration unmatched by any machine-produced good.

There is also a folk tradition present in its ornamentation. Because of the value and delicacy of these pieces, they are designed to appeal to adult collectors. The "Smallest" pieces are the most magnificent in the collection.

"Small, Smaller, Smallest: Adult's Delight, Children's Enchantment" is a great display of some really adorable stuff. It appeals to the child in everyone and is definitely worth taking a look at.

For more information about the exhibit and museum tours, call the Homewood House Museum at 410-516-5589.



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This hand looks big because the chair is a miniature.

# Hey singles, reclaim Valentine's Day

**Y**ou look on bitterly as the cheerleader strolls down the hall, her face obscured by a halo of heart-shaped balloons.

Damn, you think to yourself, it's Valentine's Day again.

This was a familiar experience for most of us in high school. (Don't try to tell me you weren't a nerd in high school: You go to Hopkins, remember?) And if you don't have a significant other when the big day rolls around, it can make you feel like you're right back in homeroom again, watching everyone else pretend to be surprised as their goodies are delivered. It's tempting just to spend the day in bed demolishing a box of chocolates and watching *Oprah*. After all, what good is a holiday that's only for couples and cheerleaders?

Luckily, it doesn't have to be that way. There are plenty of things you can do to reclaim Valentine's Day for your wonderful, single self. Following are some suggestions for making the day a more equal-opportunity holiday. The best part is that—although any number of cool single friends can join you in these efforts—most of these activities are fun to do all by yourself.

Take your dog for a walk on a busy downtown street. Everytime Fido stops to do his business, reward him with a rousing chorus of "My Funny Valentine."

Fake a seizure every time you hear a Celine Dion song. (Actually, this is an appropriate reaction any time of year.)

Is there a couple in your life who particularly annoy you? Find out what romantic spot they're going to for Valentine's Day, and wait for them there on the big night. When they arrive, say shyly, "I've always loved you both, and I think it's time the

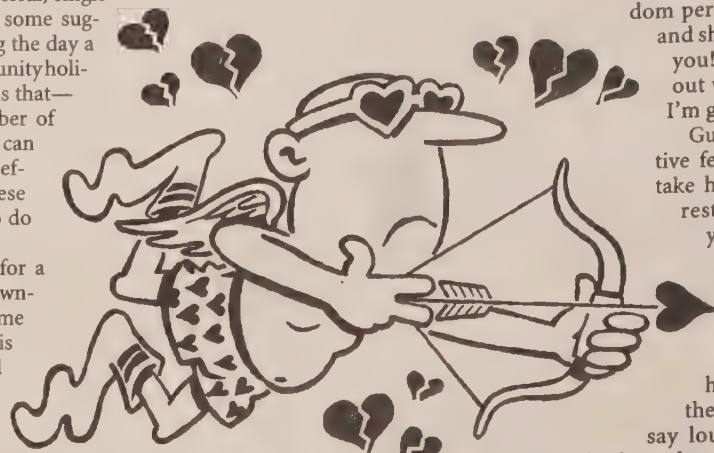
## RACHELSAMS Love Bites

three of us... uhh... take our relationship to the next level." Smile and display a hotel room key.

Travel to the Vatican and demand to meet with the Pope. Inform him that his pal, St. Valentine, is encouraging the human race to take part in the seven deadly sins, especially Gluttony (gorging oneself on chocolate and candy hearts) and Lust (buying billions of dollars worth of Victoria's Secret products.)

Call the Victoria's Secret company. When a customer service representative asks "Can I help you?" say "Yeah. What the hell is her secret, anyway?" (This does not have a lot to do with Valentine's Day, but would no doubt be great fun.)

Take over a local radio station and play "Fifty Ways To



Leave Your Lover" for 24 hours, with no commercial breaks.

Ladies: Has your former flame forsaken you for another? Call your ex and ask, in a deep voice, to speak to his new love interest. When he says she isn't there, respond with "Dammit! This is her pimp. She was supposed to be on the street an hour ago."

Show up at a club in The Block wearing nothing but a G-string that resembles a Pocket Protector. When someone asks, wink and then say, "I'm from Hopkins. I'll be your entertainment this Valentine's evening."

*Fake a seizure every time you hear a Celine Dion song. (Actually, this is an appropriate reaction any time of year.)*

Climb to the top of the Gilman clock tower (the tallest and most handsome structure on campus) with a bullhorn. Point to a random person on the quad and shout "You! Yeah, you! If you don't go out with me tonight, I'm gonna jump!"

Guys: Find an attractive female friend and take her out to a nice restaurant. Put on your best public display of affection and stare longingly into her eyes. About halfway through the meal, sigh and say loudly (in a thick backwoods twang), "I sure do love you, Sis."

If none of these suggestions appeal to you, don't despair. In exchange for enduring Valentine's Day, single people get a wonderful reward—on February 15, all the yummy candy you could ever dream of is on sale for half-price. And no cheerleader will be fighting you for that last bag of Hershey's Kisses.

See, life is fair, after all.

# Asian Sorority formed

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couple of which are Pledge Educator and Historian, Alpha Delta Kappa Phi is determined to be active. As Social Vice President, sophomore Juliette Kim, a.k.a. "Chilli," said one of her goals is to establish the group as a sorority at Hopkins, despite the university's general unresponsiveness to change. Kim emphasized that although their goal is to uphold Asian Interests, they are not Asian-exclusive. Anyone interested in promoting Asian awareness is welcome to join.

Kim is seated in the smoking room of the Hilton Ballroom as she speaks. Suit-clad men puff away at cigarettes beside strapless-gowned women, and clouds of smoke drift along the already dark space. The ambiance is almost secretive and exclusive. While strobe lights dance on the ceiling in the loud, crowded main Ballroom, this back room is quiet and empty.

Suddenly, "Maleficent" enters, champagne bottle in hand. She is cheering and gathering her new sisters, and they let out a collective shriek. Arms tightly clasped around each other's shoulders, they toast and dance and shriek some more. In the spirit of sisterhood, "Smurfette" and "Martini" each take a swig of champagne, straight from the bottle. They then rush out, because having just been formalized as a sorority, having just officially exchanged their freedom for "something eternal," and having just drunken champagne, their next step is to party.

## Give your heart --- but not your health

*If you choose to have sex, make sure it's "safer sex".*



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FEATURES

Girls on guys: Hopkins women reveal what they really want in a man

BY RINA DORFMAN  
News-Letter Staff

Rina Dorfman interviewed anonymous girls on campus to find out what they thought about love, sex, and guys ... just in time for Valentine's Day.

**Who are more attractive, loners or guys who walk around in large groups?**

"Loners, definitely."  
"Not big groups, they are intimidating."  
"Big groups can have pathetic wannabe-macho attitudes."

**Wallet chains: cool or not?**

"The longer, the better."  
"They are pathetic."  
"Depends—with tight jeans, definitely not."  
"There are better things to yank on."

**What about guys who smoke?**

"Total turnoff."  
"I hate cigarette breath when you're kissing."  
"Not if they are trying too hard."  
"I'm a smoker, so non-smoking guys are intimidating."

**Do you like guys who dye their hair platinum blond?**

"Totally *Trainspotting*, too extreme."  
"I like that!"  
"With spikes."  
"No need for it."

**Do you like the baggy jeans look?**

"Cute!"  
"No, looks like ravers!"  
"I hate when you can kind of tell they are department-store bought."  
"I hate when guys fold the jeans under on the bottom, like reverse cuffs."  
"Hey, look how cool these boxers are! Duh!"  
"No skater pants".

**Are tight pants on a guy attractive?**

"UUGGGghh"  
"No, what do they do that for frat hazing or something?"  
"Oooh, tight leather, yummm."  
"Rocker '80s pants are cool."

**Do you like khakis/Dockers?**

"This one guy I used to know had his khakis all tight on his fat thighs, and all tight in the crotch, it was disgusting. I don't know if that was the

thing in the '80s."

"That's good."  
"Totally not my style!"  
"Not that attractive."  
"No, that's a no-no."

**What is your opinion on cologne?**

"Just not too much."  
"I hate when guys who SWEAT try to cover up the STINK with cologne."  
"No, because men have bad taste."  
"Sleazy."  
"Drakkar Noir, I love it, even though it's so guido-ish."

**What do you think of guys who wear frat letters on their shirt/hat?**

"I think those types should be more socially approachable and less cliché."  
"No, that's lame."  
"Sorority letters are cooler."

**How about JHU gear?**

"They should have better taste than to shop for clothes at the bookstore."  
"I hate men who support our school."

**Do you like band T-shirts?**

"No Pink Floyd! I have a big problem with that. They managed to distribute those everywhere and to everybody. So unattractive."  
"That goes with the whole cigarettes and beer look."  
"Not at all, like Pink Floyd, Guns n' Roses shirts, ew."  
"I like T shirts with no logos or writing."

**Do you like goatees?**

"No, usually they look bad."  
"No, hairy rats."  
"I find them very masculine."  
"It tickles when you kiss (giggle)."  
"That look is so played-out."

**Do you like guys that wear earrings?**

"Earrings are sexy."  
"I'm okay with earrings but not body piercing in general."  
"Not the right ear."  
"No feathery ones, no big hoops."  
"I like earrings, the more the merrier."

**Do you like other facial piercings (nose, lip, brow, tongue)?**

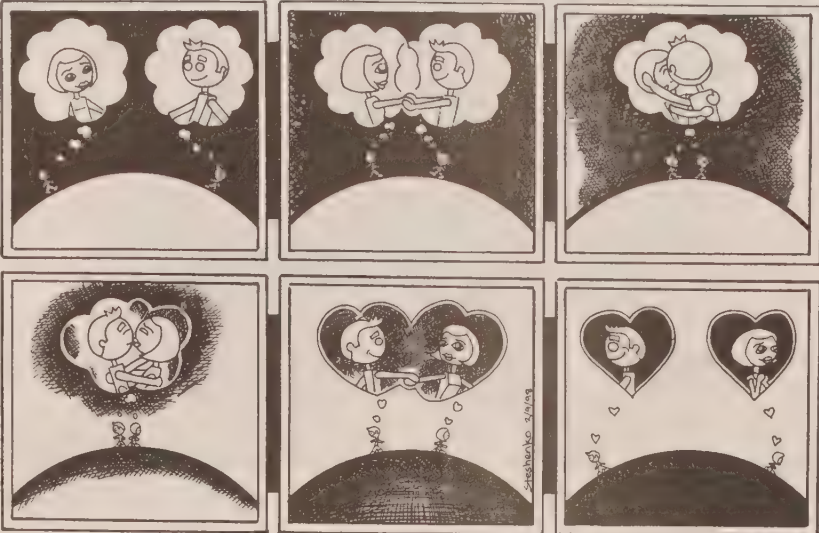
"It's a total turnoff. I'm afraid we'll be kissing and one will rip out and

start squirting pus on me."

"Doesn't matter."  
"If it gets them off."  
"Tongue is awesome."  
"I hate septum rings."

**Which is cooler, sneakers or boots?**

"Boots are so much cooler than sneakers—cowboy boots!"  
"I hate those Michael Jordan Air Jordan weird alien looking sneakers."  
"Boots can be casual or dressy. Definitely boots."



**What do you think of guys that say 'Later'?**

"I prefer 'good-bye'."  
"No, that's dumb."  
"I like 'peace'. 'Yup, good to see ya, peace.'"

**Do you like when guys hug you hello and good-bye whenever they see you?**

"There's no need."  
"If he's an acquaintance, I freak out. But if he's a friend, it's sweet."  
"It makes me really uncomfortable."  
"There's a certain line that guys shouldn't cross in everyday interaction."  
"It's fine as long as they're not pressing really desperately against your chest."  
"Only if we're close and normally touchy-feely."

**Are you attracted to effeminate guys?**

"Totally not."

"They're great, absolutely!"

"Yes, it's that 'fag mystique', I'm serious. It is something that macho-machos can never understand. It's why girls love gay guys."

**Do you like the gangly/skinny/lanky/bony thin type? Or do you prefer the beefy/muscular type?**

"Skinny guys, I like really skinny types."  
"I can't explain it, but muscles are a turnoff."

"The macho type is preferable."

"Skinny, but not super-tall and skinny."  
"Heroin chic is the way to go."

**What do you think of Brine blue key chain strap things?**

"You mean those 'I'm a retard' necklaces?!"  
"No. Don't do it."  
"Really stupid-looking."

**What was your best Valentine's Day?**

"I don't celebrate it."  
"I don't believe in Valentine's day because they killed Jews or something."  
"They used to burn old Korean people on crosses, so it offends me."  
"I don't care unless I am single."  
"Good God, I don't remember."

**What is the first thing you notice in a guy?**

"Outfit."  
"Whether he's horribly ugly."  
"Haircut."  
"Smile."

"Crotch bulge."

**Do you have any secret crushes on campus? Will you do anything about it on Valentine's Day?**

"I have crushes, but I'm not doing anything."  
"No, but if I were JRH I'd watch out, ha ha."  
"Yes, I don't think anything is going to happen, though."

**Would you go out with someone younger? How much younger?**

"Yes, but not too much younger."  
"My limit is three years younger."  
"No younger than a junior in high school."  
"Mentally or actually younger?"

**What do you think of guys with accents?**

"Foreign accents are cool. English accents."  
"I don't like Asian or Indian accents."  
"No Southern hick accents."  
"A fake NY badass accent annoys me."

**Can a guy ever wear pink?**

"No because pink is a girls' color."  
"Like baby pink? No. Fuchsia, maybe."  
"Only with dark clothes. Like a pink tie and a black or dark gray suit."  
"MIAMI VICE!"

**South Park T shirts: immature or cute?**

"Really dumb."  
"That's a show that high schoolers watch."  
"As long as it's not a Bart Simpson shirt."

**Are long sideburns attractive?**

"I like them."  
"It's either all or nothing, I don't know how guys get stuck in the middle."  
"No, too retro."  
"As long as they're not out of control."

**Do you think guys with 5:00 shadow are sexy or scuzzy?**

"Soooo sexy [weeping noise]!"  
"They look unkempt."  
"Depends on the reason. It shouldn't be to prove they can grow

out stubble."

"Disgusting unless you are over age thirty."

**Are you sexually attracted to any of your male friends?**

"NO [laugh]"  
"Yeah, some of them."  
"It has to happen."

**Do you care if a guy wants to try on your clothes?**

"Mmmmmmm."  
"Yes, I'd have fun with it."  
"I want to put makeup on a guy."  
"Yes, it's happened. It's fine."

**Do you like leather jackets?**

"It depends on the design of the jacket. Most are okay."  
"Too suave"  
"Oh man, Calvin..."  
"Only if it's lacrosse."

**What facial/body features do you hate in a guy?**

"Bad haircut."  
"Short legs."  
"A thick neck."  
"Guys who have bad breath, and guys who look like my dad."  
"Backne [back acne]. Neckne, too."

**Are there any guy clothing styles that bother you?**

"Tight shirts."  
"Thermals that show."  
"Stonewashed jeans."  
"Those sweaters with the one or two pseudo rave-inspired horizontal stripes across the chest and upper arms."

**If a guy sings to you is he a loser or really sweet?**

"A CAPELLA!"  
"It's really sweet, and if he's good, he might get some."  
"If he's pathetic, then it's dumb."

**Does penis size matter?**

"I wouldn't know."  
"Yes, if it's humongous it's a turn-off."  
"No, it's what he does with it."  
"A little. Really tiny ones are funny."

**What is the best kind of kisser?**

"Strong, firm tongue, but not too wet."  
"The one who could accommodate me the best."  
"Keeps his eyes closed. Open eyes are creepy."

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Chow Yun-Fatt Replaces the Competition Cinema of Romance

Chinese action star right at home in John Woo's American, ultra-violent fantasy

**THE REPLACEMENT KILLERS**  
Columbia Pictures  
Rated R

Produced by John Woo  
Directed by Antoine Fuqua

Cast:  
Chow Yun-Fat ..... John Lee  
Mira Sorvino ..... Meg Coburn  
Michael Rooker ..... "Zeedo" Zedkov  
Kenneth Tsang ..... Terence Wei  
Jurgen Prochnow ..... Michael Kogan

BY NICHOLAS SCHAGER  
News-Letter Staff

Ever since director John Woo defected to Hollywood's shores, the arrival of his partner, Chinese action star Chow Yun-Fatt, has been eagerly anticipated. *The Replacement Killers*, his first American release, heralds Yun-Fatt as the undisputed maestro of balletic bloodshed.

Famous for his turns in Woo classics such as *The Killer* (1989) and *Hard Boiled* (1992), Yun-Fatt has often been cited as the former half of a duo comparable to DeNiro-Scorsese, although with Woo only executive-producing *Replacement*, Yun-Fatt has been left to initiate American audiences all by himself. As it turns out, Yun-Fatt was wise to find a director willing to make a Chinese-style action movie for American audiences, especially since Woo's American films, such as *Hard Target* and *Broken Arrow*, alienated many devoted die-hards who found them ridiculously soft and Americanized.

Luckily for both Yun-Fatt and fans, *The Replacement Killers* doesn't stray very far from Woo's trademark synthesis of distraught, morally righteous heroes whose penchant for weeping is only surpassed by their proclivity for excessive violence. First-time director Antoine Fuqua has taken few chances in this short yet brutally sweet tale of a renegade assassin and his female partner on the run from a fierce criminal overlord and his "replacement" killers.

Chow Yun-Fatt is John Lee, a Chi-

nese hitman bound to a crime overlord, the sinister Mr. Wei (Kenneth Tsang). In his final assignment for Wei, Lee is ordered to murder the 7-year old son of a cop responsible for the death of Mr. Wei's only child. Distraught over killing an innocent child, Lee backs out of his obligation, thereby making himself and his family back in China targets for Wei's wrath.

Trying to flee the country, Lee teams up with Meg Coburn, a beautiful, headstrong passport counterfeiter (played with vivacious arrogance by Mira Sorvino). The unlikely partnership leads the two into a never-ending, furiously brutal shower of bullets on their quest to stop Wei and his hired assassins.

Chow Yun-Fatt, whose stardom is apparent from the psychedelic opening sequence in which he kills a bunch of decadent criminals in a techno-fueled dance club, learned English for the film during the eight months just prior to its production, and the screenplay wisely moderates the amount of dialogue he's given. A formidable screen presence in his tailor-made suits, Yun-Fat speaks his lines with a deft, calmly assured coolness, but the wealth of verbal exchange is handled by Sorvino, whose strikingly sexual appeal seems oddly at home with her familiarity with a semi-automatic weapon.

At an hour and a half, *The Replacement Killers* wastes no time with formalities about Lee's family history or the reasons behind his obligation to Wei. Fuqua, whose previous directorial credits largely include television commercials, understands that



Chow Yun-Fat and Mira Sorvino hunt down the bad guys in *Replacement Killers*.

Yun-Fatt's appeal lies in his ability to handle guns, and the film plays like one extended blood-letting melee, with gun fights spanning dance clubs to car washes to movie theaters. Why does cop Stan Zedkov (Michael Rooker) have a personal vendetta against Wei? As far as the film is concerned, it doesn't really matter.

What does matter here is flash, and lots of it. Visually, *The Replacement Killers* relies on trademark Woo subtlety, which means lots of Armani style, bright firecracker explosions, and swift, agile gun-fights in which people fly through the air, under cars, and off fire escapes while mercilessly shooting at each other. What Fuqua lacks in originality, however, he makes up in execution. The film has a sultry, underground feel to it, and each action scene is crafted with enough surprises and ingenuity to satisfy even the most rabid Hong Kong film buff.

Ken Sanzel's screenplay primarily relies on action dictating dialogue, and even though more interaction be-

tween its two stars might have helped flesh them out as more than semi-cartoon characters, replete with 9 lives, Chow Yun-Fatt speaks miles with even a wink, eyebrow raise, or hint of a smile, and Sorvino herself seems right at home with the silent assassin. Rooker, as the cop on Wei's trail, is cookie-cutter material, is like Wei's replacement killers, two standard looking thugs who seem severely less competent as assassins than Lee.

Despite its absurdly short length and superficial concern with action above all else, *The Replacement Killers* is the John Woo movie that Woo fans have been sorely missing since the director came to Hollywood, complete with the unfailingly cool Chow Yun-Fatt. Perhaps it's not the greatest action movie to come out of the Hong Kong genre, but *The Replacement Killers* certainly delivers the best bang for your buck, literally, so far this year. More importantly, however, may be the long-overdue ascension of Chow Yun-Fatt as the new king of action. Not bad for an actor still learning to master the language.

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get to see Arnold Schwarzenegger punch out Sharon Stone. If that ain't satisfaction, nothing is. Other choices: *The Rock*, V (all 9 hours of it), *Bad Boys*. For the ladies, what man-hating night would be complete without...you guessed it, *Thelma and Louise*? Watch those two badass women get along just fine without any guys. Just skip the parts with Brad Pitt.

**Other choices:** *Muriel's Wedding*, *Waiting to Exhale*, *Fried Green Tomatoes*.

### FOR THE WORLDLY TYPE:

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I'm sure someone has said never to mix Thai food with Italian, but *Cinema Paradiso* is too good a movie to miss. It's a non-traditional love story about a young boy in Italy in World War II and his obsession with the town movie theater. It's funny,

it's sad, and the ending is quite possibly the most romantic scene ever made. Bring tissues, BOTH of you will need them.

**Other choices:** *Eat Drink Man Woman*, *Like Water For Chocolate*, *The Wedding Banquet*.

### FOR THE OSTENTATIOUS TYPE:

Want to impress Mr. or Miss Right with your, ahem, financial assets? Then head on down to Sotto Sopra (405 N. Charles St., 410-625-0534). I've only been there once, and for good reason. A basic (read: no alcohol) dinner for two cost \$65. But the food—let's just say that this is where good bread goes when it dies. The breadsticks are heavenly, and that's even before the meal starts! If Sotto Sopra doesn't fill you up, plan a trip to Vaccaro's (222 Abemarle St., 410-685-4905), where there's never any complaint about portion size. The Vaccaro's motto seems to be: "You haven't eaten enough if you don't leave here on a stretcher—but what a way to go."

Dinner left you a little strapped for cash? You can still show him/her that you enjoy the finer things by renting *The English Patient*. It's got romance. It's got drama. It has a plane crash. And I dare anyone not to have to dry his/her eyes at the end. And, if worse comes to worse, your date will have to stay for the 3+ hours.

**Other choices:** *A Room With a View*, *Sense & Sensibility*, *Much Ado About Nothing*.

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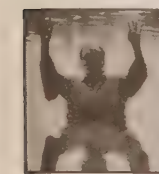
# Oscar nominees announced

Last Tuesday, the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences announced their annual nominees for the Oscars. Not surprisingly, the box-office giant *Titanic* garnered 14 nominations, tying an Academy record made by *All About Eve* over fifty years ago. Movies such as *Amistad*, *The Ice Storm*, and *The Bozeman* were not rewarded as strongly as expected. Here's a look at the major nominees.

**BEST PICTURE**  
*As Good As It Gets* (pictured right)  
*The Full Monty*  
*Good Will Hunting*  
*L. A. Confidential*  
*Titanic*



Atom Egoyan, *The Sweet Hereafter*  
James Cameron, *Titanic*



Dustin Hoffman, *Wag the Dog*  
Jack Nicholson, *As Good As It Gets*



Judi Dench, *Mrs. Brown*  
Helen Hunt, *As Good As It Gets*  
Kate Winslet, *Titanic*



Burt Reynolds, *Boogie Nights*  
Robin Williams, *Good Will Hunting*



Joan Cusack, *In & Out*  
Minnie Driver, *Good Will Hunting*  
Julianne Moore, *Boogie Nights*  
Gloria Stuart, *Titanic*

**SCREENPLAY ADAPTATION**  
*Donnie Brasco*  
*L. A. Confidential*  
*The Sweet Hereafter*  
*Wag the Dog*  
*The Wings of the Dove*

**ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY**  
*As Good As It Gets*  
*Boogie Nights*  
*Deconstructing Harry*  
*The Full Monty*  
*Good Will Hunting*

**ORIGINAL DRAMATIC SCORE**  
John Williams, *Amistad*  
Danny Elfman, *Good Will Hunting*  
Phillip Glass, *Kundun*  
Jerry Goldsmith, *L. A. Confidential*  
*Titanic*

**ORIGINAL COMEDY SCORE**  
*Anastasia*  
*As Good As It Gets*  
*The Full Monty*  
*Men in Black*  
*My Best Friend's Wedding*

**ART DIRECTION**  
*Gattaca*  
*Kundun*  
*L. A. Confidential*  
*Men in Black*  
*Titanic*

**ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE**  
Kim Basinger, *L. A. Confidential*

**CINEMATOGRAPHY**  
*Amistad*  
*Kundun*  
*L. A. Confidential*  
*Titanic*  
*The Wings of the Dove*

**COSTUME DESIGN**  
*Amistad*  
*Kundun*  
*Oscar and Lucinda*  
*Titanic*  
*The Wings of the Dove*

**FILM EDITING**  
*Air Force One*  
*As Good As It Gets*  
*Good Will Hunting*  
*L. A. Confidential*  
*Titanic*

**SOUND**  
*Air Force One*  
*Con Air*  
*Contact*  
*L. A. Confidential*  
*Titanic*

**SOUND EFFECTS EDITING**  
*Face/Off*  
*The Fifth Element*  
*Titanic*

**VISUAL EFFECTS**  
*The Lost World: Jurassic Park*  
*Starship Troopers*  
*Titanic*

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM**  
*Beyond Silence*—Germany  
*Character*—Netherlands  
*Four Days in September*—Brazil  
*Secrets of the Heart*—Spain  
*The Thief*—Russia

# Oscar and Lucinda shines

**OSCAR AND LUCINDA**  
Fox Searchlight Pictures

Produced by Robin Dalton & Tim White  
Directed by Gillian Armstrong

Cast:  
Ralph Fiennes ..... Oscar Hopkins  
Cate Blanchett ..... Lucinda Leplastrier  
Ciaran Hinds ..... Reverend Dennis Hasset

**BY NICHOLAS SCHAGER**  
*News-Letter Staff*

Oscar Hopkins is a young boy when he abandons his fanatical father and joins the Anglican church to become a minister. With flaming red locks and a penchant for excited twitches, spasms, and convulsions, Oscar is sent away to school to further his Christian education when he becomes enamored with gambling. First it's the horses, then the dog track, and soon Oscar is addicted to gambling of any kind, although as a good Christian he only keeps the money he needs and donates the rest to the poor.

Lucinda Leplastrier is a young, awkward Australian, a square peg in a world of round holes. When her parents unexpectedly pass away, Lucinda inherits a fortune which she uses to purchase a glass factory in New South Wales. A wealthy young woman, Lucinda escapes her normally solitary, mundane life only during the wee hours of the morning, when she cavorts with some associates over high stakes games of cards.

The most highly unique and exquisitely gorgeous film of the new year, Gillian Armstrong's *Oscar and Lucinda* is likely to become one of the most overlooked films of the new year, forgotten among the goliaths vying for Academy Awards. A quirky tale of romance, Christianity, and gambling, *Oscar and Lucinda*, based on the Booker Prize winning novel by Peter Carey, is like a shimmering, fragile dream that at once pulls at our emotions while at the same moment remains distanced from our hearts.

The film centers around these two individuals, fated to fall in love over their obsession with playing the game of chance. Aboard a ship headed back to Australia, Lucinda asks the eccentric Oscar if he might hear her confession, a lament over the sin of gambling that has ostracized her from her peers and plagued her conscience. Knee-deep in his own gambling fixation, however, Oscar preaches that

betting is not a sin but the founding principle of Christianity, for all men and women base their entire existence on the gamble that God exists.

After parting ways, the two meet again in an underground gambling house, where they begin a strange friendship based on their mutual infatuation with cards. Oscar, however, is excommunicated from the church for his gambling, and Lucinda herself is condemned by the community after Oscar moves in with her. Alienated from the outside world, Oscar and Lucinda's affection for high stakes culminates in their final wager, a bet involving the transportation of a glass church to the Australian countryside, where Rev. Dennis Hasset, a close friend of Lucinda's, has been relocated.

*Oscar and Lucinda* is, without exception, the most aesthetically striking film in years. The film's world glows with incandescent marvel, as if it was shot through finely crafted colored glass. Armstrong, best known for her screen adaptation of "Little Women," has blessed the Australian landscape with the lushness and subtle serenity of a dream remembered half-awake, a magical place where glass churches slowly glide down rivers, only to be reflected upon the world by the serene glow of the gleaming water. Every leaf, every tree, every breeze sways with the emotions of the two lovers.

As Oscar, Ralph Fiennes is all nervous twitches and spasmodic energy as the fiery redhead whose idiosyncratic nature is overwhelmed by the odd yet enchanting Lucinda. Fiennes' performance has never been as subtle, as refreshingly honest as this one, a breathtaking collage of fears, anxiety,

solitude, and rebirth.

More surprisingly, perhaps, is Cate Blanchett's fiery, independent Lucinda. Blanchett more than holds her own against the masterful Fiennes, giving Lucinda a tender, fragile air amidst her strong willed determination for acceptance in a male-dominated society.

While Oscar and Lucinda's eccentricities bring them to life, they also create an impenetrable gap between characters and audience. The film's delicateness tends to separate us from the action, making us mere onlookers at a beautiful spectacle which can be witnessed but never fully experienced. For all the emotion between the two characters, their love is largely unspoken, more felt through images of the luxuriant Australian countryside than through pure intimacy.

What *Oscar and Lucinda* loses in its removed relationship with viewers, it compensates for through a brilliant visual vision and a fantastic cast of supporting players. Ciaran Hinds' Hasset is superbly reserved as the reverend trapped by his devotion to faith and society's chauvinistic standards. Tom Wilkinson (best known from his turn in *The Full Monty*) is obsessively hardheaded as Hugh Stratton, the Anglican minister who becomes the young Oscar's benefactor.

In a film world dominated by cataclysmic catastrophes and unbelievably troubled young geniuses, *Oscar and Lucinda* is an oddity, a remarkable film buried by its own originality. What Armstrong has given us is a piece of storytelling much like Lucinda's glass, destined to radiate long after the impostors have withered away.



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Ralph Fiennes and Cate Blanchett are Oscar and Lucinda.

# Crazy for Baroque in Baltimore

Baltimore is crazy for Baroque opera. Or I should say that a good deal more than three hundred people planned on attending Peabody's French triple bill last weekend. Tickets sold out fast for both performances. The audience's interest was justified. Hearing Baroque opera in the Renaissance Court at the Walters is, for an American, a unique experience. Where else can one so appreciate an opera like Rameau's "Anacreon"? True, the hall itself has Renaissance proportions, and so, technically, it does not resemble, say, the court of Louis XIV. But it is still an elegant setting for the gallant musical style. The permanently-installed sculpture from eighteenth-century France and Italy complemented perfectly the subject of the operas.

There were some coordination problems before the singing got underway. The audience was held at bay for about eight minutes. Yet, for this listener anyway, this silence allowed for the audience to be transported to a different time and place. By simply staring at the "stage," you could really imagine yourself not at an opera concert but at an event staged for the royal court. The program presented a typical series of small operas that reflected what an actual, authentic performance might have comprised. The program consisted of two "serious" operas by Rameau with a short comic scene in between by Charpentier.

The sounds of the French Baroque are quite unique. Swift bow strokes and heavy emphasis on dissonance work to create a very emotional, stylized music. The plots of the operas are not complicated; instead, one's attention is focused on the music and the emotion the music conveys.

All three mini-operas were extremely enjoyable. In Rameau's "Adonis," the countertenor Dan Bubeck sang with passion and control, even if he did occasionally end up on the sharp side. Particularly noteworthy were two small roles: Jennifer O'Laughlin, as the vengeful Diana, brought forth real fire, and Elizabeth Baber, while only on solo display for about a minute and a half, exhibited a voice of immense beauty.

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In Charpentier's "Le Mariage Force," three men, costumed in the *Pierrot* mode, rant and rave about the infidelity and cruelty of women. When a young lover with romantic, idealized yearnings crosses their path, they mock him and eventually scare him off. The whole routine was full of slapstick blocking and peculiarly funny animal sounds. The three men, played by James Riley, Ben Schuman and Timothy Mix, maintained their animated state throughout the performance—an admirable feat. The climax of this ridiculous but totally effective vignette occurred when harpsichordist Webb Wiggins exchanged places with one of the men and took to the stage, dancing with the other characters while the other, all costumed up, played the keyboard.

After the intermission, the ensemble offered Rameau's "Anacreon." Musically, it stood apart from the other two works. Written in Rameau's most mature style, "Anacreon" is something of a minor masterpiece, with gorgeous arias and often dramatic orchestral interludes. Zachary Stains played the lead role. He brought poise and sincerity to Anacreon, who struggles between the worship of wine and the worship of women. Miriam Dubrow, as Cupid, had the most demanding role of the night. She clearly has an affinity for the French vocal style, and she produced some ravishing sounds. One could not help notice, however, that she sang invariably sharp to the notes of the ensemble. While this was somewhat of a distraction, she still was quite impressive.

The instrumental ensemble, directed by Webb Wiggins, got through the music, but not without many noticeable mishaps. There were some canons in the parts that Rameau never intended. One could hear mistakes in practically every phrase. Nevertheless, given the fact that the students are not baroque specialists and that the orchestra was assembled rather quickly, the ensemble pulled things together pretty well.

Dancing played a considerable

part in the Rameau operas. The six young girls, hailing from the Peabody Preparatory, learned their choreography well, yet they lacked presence. Indeed, several of them were prone to uncontrollable giggling, a flaw which did not help them look like elegant debutantes.

The Shriver Hall Concert Series also offered an historically performed performance of quite a different breed: a Sunday solo recital

*Hearing Baroque opera in the Renaissance Court at the Walters is, for an American, a unique experience. Where else can one so appreciate an opera like Rameau's "Anacreon"?*

of Bach cello suites. Anner Bylisma was the protagonist, admirably taming the unpredictable gut strings of the baroque cello. Bylisma offered cello suites 1, 3, and 5 to an enthusiastic, packed audience. His phrasing was untraditional, yet thought-provoking. As well, he coaxed an earthy, throbbing sound out of the instrument, lending his interpretations a most distinctive voice. If one movement stood out in particular, it may have been the Sarabande from the Fifth Suite, the one Mstislav Rostropovich describes as "the most genius composition." Bylisma's rendition both probed the mystery and revealed the beauty of this deceptively simple movement. A charismatic yet humble performer, he showed genuine warmth towards the audience when he addressed them before his encore: then, he let Bach, again, have the last word. Jacques can be contacted at JacqCohen@aol.com.

# The return of Buzz and Woody

## LEE ASHENDORF Bits & Pieces

So it seems that *Toy Story 2* will not be released straight to video after all. Contrary to previous reports, Disney press is predicting a 1999 holiday season theatrical release for the sequel to everyone's favorite computer-animated movie about a bunch of walking, talking toys. This one's bringing back Woody (still Mr. Hanks) and Buzz (still Mr. Allen), along with the same characters and a whole array of new ones. We're talking some new star voices too, like Wayne Knight (Newman!) and Joan Cusack. In this sequel, while Andy is away at summer camp, a toy collector kidnaps Woody, who turns out to be a rare collectable, and the rest of the toys have to rescue him. It could be cool.

In the Era of No New Plots, sequels run rampant. Blues Brothers 2000 is coming out soon, and *Mission: Impossible 2* has been talked about for a while (by the way, rumors say that John Woo may sign on to direct it). I've also read about the possibility of a *Dumb & Dumber* sequel (that's just plain dumb) written by *South Park*'s creators. Now it seems that screenwriter Billy Frolick is signed on to write *Beetlejuice 2*, which will be produced by Tim Burton, and Michael Keaton will likely return to reprise the title role. My advice? Follow rule number one in Lee's Sequel Guidebook: don't see the sequel to a movie with a unique premise. The rule rarely fails.

The 1998 Lilith Fair's opening date has been set. The first concert of this year's follow-up to 1997's highly successful tour will take place in Portland, Oregon, on June 19. Sinead O'Connor, Erykah Badu, Natalie Merchant, the Indigo Girls, and, of course, Sarah McLachlan will play the show.

*Dogma*, Kevin Smith's fourth installment of the soon-to-be-re-named New Jersey Trilogy, is still working on casting. They had Emma Thompson wrapped up for the role of God, but she dropped out to have a baby. Smith still has most of the cast in line: Chris Rock, Salma Hayek, Matt Damon, a couple of Smith film staples (Ben Affleck and Jason Lee), and maybe (rumors say) George Carlin. This promises to be a drastic change

from previous Kevin Smith movies, where the biggest-name actor in any of them was Shannen Doherty in *Mallrats*. Affleck, of course, is returning for his third Smith film, after *Mallrats* and *Chasing Amy*, and bringing his buddy Damon with him. I just don't understand the rest of the cast.

The Who's *Odds & Sods*, a 1974 retrospective set, is being re-released (in remixed and remastered form) on March 10 by MCA Records. Included will be nine previously-unreleased tracks. The set will be twice the length of the original, and will include extensive liner notes by Pete Townshend.

Additionally, JAD Records is releasing a 3-CD Bob Marley boxed set called *The Complete Wailers: 1967-1972 Part 1*, a compilation of 28 unreleased tracks and rare 7-inch singles by Bob Marley & the Wailers.

Spielberg won the lawsuit, but lost the Oscar nomination. In the ongoing saga of *Amistad*, wherein author Barbara Chase-Riboud had brought suit against Spielberg's DreamWorks company with claims

that they stole the story from her 1989 novel *Echo of Lions*, Chase-Riboud dropped the charges, with DreamWorks claiming that they based the story on a novel called *Black Mutiny*, which the studio does own. On the down side, *Amistad* was snubbed for most of the Oscar categories. Many people are saying that this was due to the accusations made in the pending lawsuit.

Charm City's finally done some good! Dionne Warwick's Psychic Friends Network has filed for bankruptcy in Baltimore. Competition and cost of publicity (stupid infomercials) shot down another one. Hooray for the media, they finally downed someone worth downing!

A few unfortunate deaths this week. First is Carl Wilson, lead guitarist for the Beach Boys, who died from complications of lung cancer on February 6, at the age of 51. Falco, the guy who did "Rock Me Amadeus" (c'mon, guys, tell me you remember that one), was killed the same day in a car accident in the Dominican Republic. He was 40 years old. And Tim Kelly, the lead guitarist for Slaughter, was killed the day before when a truck hit his car (ouch!), at the age of 34.

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Thursday, Feb. 12

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“Computational Sensors for Real-Time Visual Information Processing,” an electrical and Computer Engineering Lecture by **Ralph-Etienne Cummings**, from Southern Illinois University, will be held at 11:00 a.m. in 225 Barton.

“Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about the Library but Were Afraid to Ask,” a Women’s Studies workshop on library resources relating to gender and sexuality, with **Elizabeth Kirk**, will be held at 2:00 p.m. in the Audio-Visual Room at the MSE Library.

“The Impact of Domains on the Dielectric and Electromechanical Properties of Ferroelectric Thin Films,” a Mechanical Engineering seminar with **Susan Trolrier-McKinstry**, Pennsylvania State University, at 3:00 p.m. in 106 Latrobe.

“Concentration Order on a Metric Space, with Some Statistical Applications,” a Mathematical Sciences Lecture by **Cheng Cheng**, will be held at 4:00 p.m. in 304 Whitehead.

The Department of Anthropology welcomes **Jean Comaroff** from the Department of Anthropology as she discusses “Occult Economies and the Violence of Abstraction: Notes from the South African Post-Colony” at 4 p.m. in Macaulay Hall, Room 404.

The JHU Business Society will meet at 7 p.m. in the Wolman Meeting Room. Contact **Nick Lewin** at 410-516-3638 or via e-mail at [lewin@jhu.edu](mailto:lewin@jhu.edu) or **Jon Buba** at 410-516-3587 or via e-mail at [jb1@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu](mailto:jb1@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu) for more information.

“Supercop or Superpower? America’s Response to the New World Order,” the newly formed 1998 Symposium on Foreign Affairs (a combination of both the Woodrow Wilson and the International Studies Forum), welcomes **Stephen Chen**, Taiwanese Ambassador to the US, at 7 p.m., and **Yuri Vorontsov**, Russian Ambassador to the US, at 8 p.m. The ambassadors will discuss their assessment of American foreign policy and also the status of their nation’s foreign relations with the US. Both lectures (a 35-40 minute presentation followed by a 15-20 minute question-and-answer session and a reception hosted by related student groups) will take place in the Mudd Hall Auditorium. Admission is free, and the events are open to the public. Refreshments will be provided by Starbucks. Contact **Tom Narayan**, the Symposium Director, at 410-903-3987 for more information.

Attend an art show featuring art work and sculptures by both Baltimore-based and world-renowned artists at 7:30 p.m. in the MSE Library’s **Garrett Room** as part of **Black History Awareness Month**. Refreshments will be served. Some artwork will be available for purchase. Contact either the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs at 410-516-5435 or **Kasandra Baynes** at 410-366-3012 or via e-mail at [zak@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu](mailto:zak@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu) for more information.

The Class of 1999 is hosting an **E-Level Night**. Highlights include a Kaplan Prep Course Raffle.

OFF CAMPUS

Attend “Georgia: Past and Present and Peace in the Caucasus,” a lecture and discussion with **Medea Abashidze** from the Academy of Sciences of Georgia, from 6 to 8 p.m. in SAIS’s Rome Building, Room 806.

**Black History Month** at the **Baltimore Museum of Art** presents **The Film Series** at 7:30 p.m. Catch a film during the series “Nothing but a Man: The African-American Male Image in Film.”

The **Baltimore Symphony Orchestra** presents **Bernstein and Brahms**. Baltimore’s own **Hilary Hahn**, violinist, will serenade you with the music of **Bernstein**, and **David Zinman**, conductor, leads the popular **Fourth Symphony of Brahms**. Concert takes place at 8:00 p.m. in the **Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall**, located on Cathedral and Preston Streets, followed by a post concert party with the **Symphony Singles and Friends** in the **Meyerhoff Lobby**. Reserve your tickets now by calling 410-783-8000, prices range from \$20 to \$53. Groups of 20 or more, please call 410-783-8170.

**Fletcher’s** in **Fells Point** hosts **Agents**

of **Good Roots with Colouring Lessons**. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster locations or by calling 410-481-SEAT.

The Baltimore chapter of **NOW** presents a **Diversity Issues Workshop**. Express your views, listen to local experts, and learn what you can do to advance diversity in Baltimore. Call 410-668-4399 for more information.

**Eight by Ten** in **Federal Hill** hosts **Strangefolk with Foxtrot Zulu**. Tickets are available at **Eight by Ten** and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-625-2000 for more information.

**Bohager’s** in **Fells Point** hosts **Paula Cole with The Devlins**. Tickets are available at **Bohagers** and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-563-7220 for more information.

The **Rec Room** in **Towson** hosts **The Recipe with Percy Hill**. Call 410-366-LIVE or visit <http://www.walther-productions.com> for more information.

CALENDAR

February 12 to 19

**Bloomberg Center Observatory**, at 8:30 p.m. For more information, call 410-516-6525.

OFF CAMPUS

The **School of Medicine** welcomes **Myra William, Ph.D.**, as she discusses “Identifying Gene Function and Features through Comprehensive Automated Analysis” at 10 a.m.

The **School of Medicine** welcomes **Robert Gwadz, Ph.D.**, from the **NIAID/NIH** as he discusses “The **NIH Malaria Research and Training in Bamako, Mali: A Model for**

Watch **Men’s Basketball** as the **Blue Jays**, under the coaching of **Bill Nelson**, face **Franklin and Marshall** at 7:30 p.m. in the **Newton H. White Athletic Center**. Admission is free, for more information, call 410-516-0HOP.

OFF CAMPUS

The **Baltimore Symphony Orchestra** presents **Bernstein and Brahms**. Baltimore’s own **David Zinman** and **Hilary Hahn** lead the popular **Fourth Symphony of Brahms** at 8:00 p.m. in the **Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony**

**Fletcher’s** in **Fells Point** hosts **Apples in Stereo**. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster locations or by calling 410-481-SEAT.

**Eight by Ten** in **Federal Hill** hosts **Duke’s Benefit**. Tickets are available at **Eight by Ten** and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-625-2000 for more information.

Monday, Feb. 16

HAPPY PRESIDENT’S DAY!

Classes at the **Peabody Conservatory** and at the **Schools of Arts and Sciences**, **Continuing Studies**, **Engineering**, **Medicine**, **Nursing**, and **Public Health** have been suspended. **SAIS** classes will be held as usual.

HOMEWOOD CAMPUS

No **Career Planning** and **Development** interviews will be given.

“Combining **Neutral Networks** and **Context-Driven Search** for **On-Line Printed Handwriting Recognition in the Newton**,” a Center for Language and Speech Processing seminar with **Larry Yaeger**, will be held at 4:30 p.m. in **Shaffer 100**.

The **Office of Career Planning and Development** presents “Interviews that Get Results” from 4 to 5 p.m. in **Levering Hall’s Conference Room A**. What makes one cadidate good and another stellar? This presentation will discuss what to expect in interviews and teach you hands-on practical techniques so you can gain a competitive edge. Call 410-516-8056 or e-mail [career@jhu.edu](mailto:career@jhu.edu) for more information.

The **Second Decade Society** and the **Office of Career Planning and Development** continues its 1998 **Career Symposium** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the **MSE Library’s Garrett Room**. This week’s theme is **business**, and **Hopkins alumni** in the fields of corporate business and entrepreuneuring have been invited to speak as part of a 45 minutes panel discussion and formal question-and-answer session with networking afterwards. Call 410-243-6988 for more information.

Wednesday, Feb. 18

HOMEWOOD CAMPUS

The **Wednesday Noon Series** presents “Swing into **Mardi Gras**,” a performance by a traditional seven-piece **Dixieland jazz band** named **D.C. Dixie**. Enjoy the exuberant carnival spirit of **New Orleans** as band members play jazz, blues, and street parade tunes in celebration of the **Mardi Gras Tradition**. Enjoy coffee and beignets from **Cafe du Monde**. Event takes place at noon in **Shriver Hall**, presented by the **Office of Special Events**. Admission is free, for more information, call 410-516-7157.

**Iris Marion Young** from the University of Pittsburgh will discuss “Self Determination and Global Democracy: A Critique of Liberal Nationalism” from 4 to 6 p.m. in the **Boas Room (Gilman Hall, Room 348)**. Contact **Olivia Ciambuschini** at 410-516-7524 for more information.

The 1998 **JHU Martin Luther King, Jr., Convocation** welcomes **Cornel West** from **Harvard’s African American Studies Department**. West’s books are considered some of the most important books of our time, and he will be speaking as the main speaker at **JHU’s Convocation**. This event, part of **JHU’s Black History Month** celebration, will begin at 7 p.m. in the **Shriver Hall Auditorium**. Admission is free. Special thanks to the **Planning Committee** and the **JHU departments of Anthropology, History, Political Science, and Sociology**. Call 410-516-5435 for more information.

Cheer on the **Men’s Basketball Team** under Head Coach **Bill Nelson** as they play **Western Maryland College** at 7:30 p.m. in the **Athletic Center**. Admission is free. Call 410-516-0HOP for more information.

“Supercop or Superpower? America’s Response to the New World Order,” the 1998 Symposium on Foreign Affairs, welcomes **Maryland Congressman Robert Ehrlich (R)** at 7 p.m. and **Riaz Khokhar**, **Pakistani Ambassador to the US**, at 8 p.m. **Ehrlich** will discuss U.S. foreign policy from the perspective of American national identity in the wake of a changing global political, economic, and social climate, and **Khokhar** will discuss his assessment of American foreign policy and also the status of their nation’s foreign relations with the U.S. Both lectures (a 35-40 minute presentation followed by a 15-20 minute question-and-answer session and a reception hosted by related student groups) will take place in the **Mudd Hall Auditorium**. Admission is free, and the events are open to the public. Refreshments will be provided by Starbucks. Contact **Tom Narayan**, the Symposium Director, at 410-903-3987 for more information.

Today is the last day for students taking courses at **Peabody** to drop a course with a deletion.

OFF CAMPUS

The **Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing** will host a **Graduate Open House** from 8:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. and again from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. for students interested in Master’s and Doctoral nursing programs. The **Open House** will feature information on the graduate programs leading to

Spotlight: Black History Month Family Day

On February 15, starting at 1:00 p.m., the Baltimore Museum of Art presents Family Day. An annual tradition at the BMA, Family Day explores the enduring richness of African culture and salutes the innovation and vitality of contemporary African-American arts. The afternoon features special tours, including a discussion of the exhibition **Pictures from America by Jeffrey Henson Scales**; storytelling by members of the **Baltimore Griot’s Circle**; street tap dancing by **Tap Team Two and Company**; stories, poems, and rhythms by **Complementary Voices in Black**; gospel music by the **Harambee Choir**; gallery games; a hands-on activity for kids; and refreshments. Baltimore City residents receive free BMA admission on this day.

The Gallery Talk on “**Pictures from America by Jeffrey Henson Scales**” takes place at 1:00 p.m. Immediately following this, at 2:00 p.m. is **Jeffrey Henson Scales and the Junior Docents Discuss Photography**. Scales, whose photographs comprise the

current exhibition **Pictures from America**, has played an integral role in the **BMA’s 1998 Junior Docent Program**, in which high-school students meet with BMA educators, learn about current exhibitions, and present their own tours to family, friends, and the general public. This year’s participants have also taken their own “pictures of America” by working directly with Scales. Join the photographer and the 1998 Junior Docents as they discuss the images developed through this collaboration.

Following this talk is another discussion titled **African Art at the BMA**, at 3:00 p.m., and at 3:30 p.m. Family Day presents a screening of **The Learning Tree**. Directed by **Gordon Parks** and adapted from his autobiographical novel, this moving film starring **Kyle Johnson** depicts the coming-of-age of an African-American boy in rural Kansas in the 1920’s.

Finally, at 4:00 p.m., there is a Gallery Talk titled **African-American Artists at the BMA**.

Friday, Feb. 13

HOMEWOOD CAMPUS

**Edward J. Wegman**, from **George Mason University**, will speak about **Image Grand Tour** as part of the **JHU Applied Physics Laboratory Colloquium**, at 2:00 p.m. in **Maryland Hall 218**.

The **Office of Career Planning and Development** presents “**Job Search Strategies for Competitive Times**” from 3 to 4 p.m. in **Levering Hall’s Conference Room A**. In today’s job market, it takes creativity and a multifaceted approach to job hunting to succeed. This presentation aims to teach you the comprehensive job search strategies and methods that work. Call 410-516-8056 or e-mail [career@jhu.edu](mailto:career@jhu.edu) for more information.

“Am Echad: One People,” the 1998 **Jewish Pluralism Conference**, will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the **AMR I Multi-Purpose Room**.

**Agape Campus Ministry’s** weekly large group meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in 100 Shaffer.

**Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship’s** weekly large group meeting will be held in the **Garrett Room** at 7:30 p.m.

Attend **Poetry Night** as part of **Black History Month**. The evening will begin at 8 p.m. in the **Shriver Hall Auditorium** with a reading by poet, playwright, and former **Black Panther Amiri Baraka**. The reading will be followed by an open microphone for readings and Caribbean Spice Night, a dance party at **Levering’s Great Hall** sponsored by **E-Level**, the **Caribbean Cultural Society**, and the **Black Student Union**. Admission to the reading is free, but there is a \$2 cover charge to attend the party. Call **Zakia** at 410-516-3778 or **OSMA** at 410-516-5435 for more information.

An **Astronomy Open House** will be held open for public viewing at the

**African Initiatives**” as part of the **Vector Biology Forum** at noon.

Students, alumni, faculty, and administration are invited to attend an open forum on the future of **SAIS** from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in **SAIS’s Kenney Auditorium**. The forum, which will discuss how **SAIS** should evolve as an institution in the coming years, will be followed by **Happy Hour** in **SAIS’s Nitze Building**.

**Towson University** hosts **Friendship in Clay** from 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free.

The **Baltimore Symphony Orchestra** presents **Bernstein and Brahms**. Baltimore’s own **Hilary Hahn** and **David Zinman** lead the popular **Fourth Symphony of Brahms** at 8:00 p.m. in the **Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall**, located on Cathedral and Preston Streets, followed by a post concert party.

**Eight by Ten** in **Federal Hill** hosts the **Kelly Bell Band**. Tickets are available at **Eight by Ten** and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-625-2000 for more information.

The **Rec Room** in **Towson** hosts **Zuba with Freudian Slip and Holyfield**. Call 410-366-LIVE or visit <http://www.walther-productions.com> for more information.

Saturday, Feb. 14

HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY!

HOMEWOOD CAMPUS

The **JHU College Democrats** and the **City-Wide Coalition** are holding a **flea market and Antique Sale** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. throughout **Levering Hall**. Take advantage of food, new and used items, great prices, and fantastic bargains. Fifty cent donations would be greatly appreciated. Contact the **College Democrats** at 410-516-8209 for more information.

Hall, located on Cathedral and Preston Streets, followed by a post concert party.

The **School of Medicine’s Department of Surgery** presents “**Surgical Grand Rounds: Concepts Explored in the Development of Artificial Skin**” with **Dr. Sean Wolfort** and **Dr. John F. Burke** at 8:30 a.m. in **Hurd Hall**.

**Fletcher’s** in **Fells Point** hosts **Glenmont Popes with Jack Black & the Independents**. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster locations or by calling 410-481-SEAT.

**Eight by Ten** in **Federal Hill** hosts **Moonboot Lover with Gingham Shmuz**. Tickets are available at **Eight by Ten** and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-625-2000 for more information.

Sunday, Feb. 15

HOMEWOOD CAMPUS

Participate in **Community Service Day** as part of **Black History Month**. Meet at 10 a.m. at the **MSE Library**. Contact **Sherrine** at 410-235-8538 for more information.

Watch **Rosewood** at 8:30 p.m. in the **AMR TV Room** as part of **Black History Month**. Refreshments will be served. Contact **Kasandra Baynes** at 410-366-3012 or via e-mail at [zak@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu](mailto:zak@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu) for more information.

OFF CAMPUS

The **Carillons Bell Choir Concert** and **Choral Evenson** will be performing at **Saint John’s Church, Huntington**, 3009 Greenmount Avenue, at 3:30 p.m. For more information, call 410-366-7157.

**Towson University** hosts the **Towson Chamber Players** at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.



an MSN degree in the Adult, Family or Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner; Acute/Critical Care Nurse Practitioner; Community Health Nursing; Nursing Systems Management; a joint degree Management / MS in Business; and Clinical Specialist in Adult Health, Oncology and HIV / AIDS. The Open House will be in the new School of Nursing building, 525 North Wolfe Street at the corner of McElderry and Wolfe streets. For more information, call 410-955-7548.

There will be a Johns Hopkins Medicine Town Meeting at noon in Hurd Hall. Dr. William Broday, Dr. Edward D. Miller, and Ronald R. Peterson will all be present.

The School of Medicine welcomes Professor Stephen Teret from the Department of Health Policy and Management as part of the Seminar on Women, Children and Environmental Health at 12:15 p.m. in the Hampton House Lecture Hall.

The School of Medicine presents "TRAMP: A Pre-Clinical Prostate Cancer Model," a presentation by Norman M. Greenberg, Ph.D., from Baylor College of Medicine at 4 p.m. in the Houck Building, Room 240.

The School of Medicine presents "Endocrine Grand Rounds: Insulin Regulation of Gene Expression" with Dr. David W. Cooke at 4 p.m. in Marburg 1 Conference Room.

The City-Wide Coalition and the Central America Solidarity Committee invite you to a free public forum: How Illiteracy was Ended in Cuba; Can We Do Likewise In Baltimore? Speaker Johanna Dablava, from the Cuban Interest Section Czechoslovak Embassy, will speak at the Barclay School at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call 410-728-8611.

The Peabody Wind Ensemble is performing with the Bay Street Brassworks at 7:30 p.m. in Friedberg Hall. Admission is free. Contact the Peabody Box Office at 410-659-8124 for more information.

Today is Peabody's dissertation submission deadline for May 1998 Graduation.

Eight by Ten in Federal Hill hosts The Push Stars with Jiggle the Handle. Tickets are available at Eight by Ten and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-625-2000 for more information.

## Thursday, Feb. 19

### HOMEWOOD CAMPUS

The Office of Career Planning and Development presents "Great Resumes!" from noon to 1 p.m. in Levering Hall's Conference Room A. Good resumes are a dime a dozen. How can you make yours stand out from the crowd? Learn how to compose a resume that sells your accomplishments. Find out how to format your resume so it survives the electronic scanning process that many employers use. Call 410-516-8056 or e-mail career@jhu.edu for more information.

Eat lunch with Dr. Frank Knight as he discusses "The Effect of Slavery in the Caribbean" as part of Black History Month at noon in the MSE Library's Garrett Room. Free lunch will be provided for the first 20 people who RSVP in the OMSA office; otherwise, bring a brown-bag lunch. Admission is free. Call 410-516-5435 for

more information.

Attention all Pre-Law Students! NYU School of Law is sending a student representative to Hopkins for an informal question-and-answer session about the law school admissions process in general, NYU Law School in particular, and other topics of interest to those who are thinking about law school. This is an excellent opportunity to get information about law school admissions from someone who recently went through the process. The meeting will be at 4 p.m. in Levering Hall's Conference Room A. All are welcome to attend. Contact Simon Whang (92) at 718-857-7678 or via e-mail at scw201@is5.nyu.edu for more information.

### OFF CAMPUS

The School of Medicine presents a discussion of "Transcriptional Silencing in Embryonic Germ Cells" at noon.

Black History Month at the Baltimore Museum of Art presents The Film Series at 7:30 p.m. Catch a film during the series "Nothing but a Man: The African-American Male Image in Film."

The Faissler Library of Roland Park County School (5204 Roland Avenue) is showing The Scar of Shame at 7:30 p.m. as part of their Black in Film Festival. Admission is free. Call 410-323-5500 for more information.

Fletcher's in Fells Point hosts Mighty Blue Kings with The Grandsons. Doors open at 9 p.m. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster locations or by calling 410-481-SEAT.

Medusa Theatre Company performs Meditations from the Ash, a new play by Denise A. Gantt, at Theatre Project (45 West Preston Street, Baltimore) through March 1, 1998. Performances are Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets cost \$8 for students and \$14 for the general public. Call 410-752-8558 to make reservations or for more information.

Eight by Ten in Federal Hill hosts Tony Trischka with Baaba Seth. Tickets are available at Eight by Ten and through Ticketmaster by calling 410-481-SEAT. Call 410-625-2000 for more information.

## Ongoing Events

Spotlighters Theater presents Baltimore's Weekly Beauty Contest, a musical comedy by Bill Russell, Frank Kelly, and Albert Evans, until March 29. You, the audience, vote on the winner. Spotlighters Theater is located at 817 Saint Paul Street, for more information, call 410-752-1225.

An exhibition of miniature furniture from private collectors has opened at the Homewood House Museum and will last through March 29. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors, and \$3 for students. Tours and afternoon tea can be arranged for groups of ten or more for \$10 per person. Homewood House is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. Call 410-516-5589 for more information.

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thru Sat. only 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at 201 E. Pratt St., Inner Harbor.

The Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. presents "In the Mountains" through August 2 at the Freer Gallery of Art. Twenty-five paintings and four objects dating from the second century B.C. to the 1700s have been selected for display in this exploration of the depiction of landscape in Chinese art.

Louie's the Bookstore Cafe presents Louie's Late Night every night, featuring The Intoxcats, and Ambient Music with DJ Jack Denning, with Happy Hour every evening at 10:30 p.m. Located at 518 N. Charles Street, for more information, call 410-962-1224 for schedule and more information.

## Campus Notes

Got plans for Spring Break? Want to spend time having fun without spending a lot of money? Join JHU's Habitat for Humanity for a rewarding week helping in the effort to eliminate poverty housing. Applications are available until February 16 at the Levering Union Desk or one of the Residential Life Offices. Contact either Antoinette at 410-516-2609 or Jodie at 410-516-3130 for more information.

MSE Symposium Committee Chair applications are due by Monday, February 16.

Backpacker Magazine is offering \$1000 scholarships to full-time juniors and seniors. Applicants must maintain at least a 3.0 GPA in any major field of study. The scholarship program is designed to honor students who have displayed initiative in improving or protecting the outdoors and the environment by taking a leadership role in outdoor activities and encouraging others to the same. Applications are available in the Office of Student Financial Aid (Garland Hall). Additional information and an application may also be obtained on the web at <http://www.bpbbasecamp.com>. The application deadline is February 16.

Chair applications for Culture Fest '98 are available in Merryman Hall, the AMR and Wolman mailrooms, and in the Bradford. Completed applications must be submitted to the Student Council Office in Merryman Hall by 5 p.m. on February 17. Contact at Parag at 410-662-0875 for more information.

Petitions for Executive Positions of Student Council are due to the Student Council Office by 5 p.m. on February 24.

The Howard Hughes Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship will be awarding a stipend of \$3,000 to 25 undergraduates from either the School of Arts and Sciences or the School of Engineering. Students who qualify will conduct laboratory research with a faculty sponsor. Each interested student should submit a completed application, letter of support from a lab sponsor, letter of recommendation from a faculty member, college transcript and a three-page proposal outlining the research project the student will be working on during the summer. Contact Gary K. Ostrander, Associate Dean for Research, or Jenny Elliott, Administrative Assistant, in Mergenthaler Hall Room 224, at 410-516-8215, or via e-mail at [jelliott@jhu.edu](mailto:jelliott@jhu.edu). Application are also available on the web at <http://www.jhu.edu/~asl/app1.htm>. The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, February 27.

The JHU ROTC department is accepting applications for two and three year merit scholarships worth up to \$16,000 per year. The scholarships also pay \$450 per year for books, and a \$150 per month stipend. Contact Captain Shear at 410-516-4683 for more information. The deadline is the first week of March, so apply now!

The Hattie M. Strong Foundation, Inc. has a Loan Program for American college students studying in the U.S. or abroad who are entering their final year of study in a baccalaureate or graduate degree program. Applicants must be enrolled, as full-time students, in an accredited four-year college or graduate school. The maximum loan is \$3000. The terms of repayment are based upon monthly income after graduation and are arranged with each individual so as to work a minimum of hardship. Students should write to the foundation by March 31, giving a brief personal history, identification of the school attended and the subject studied, the date expected

## CINEMA

by Lee Heritage

Looking for love in all the wrong places? This Valentine's Day, instead of whining about your lonely heart, go try to find Mr. or Miss Right at the movies.

The Charles Theatre— This week at the Charles, see Emma Thompson and her mom break the ice in *The Winter Guest*. You know the old saying: fish and the Winter Guest stink after three days. Looking for that special Dancin' Queen or King in your life? Try *The Tango Lesson*. But don't you be one of those dancing fools. It may take two to tango, but it only takes one to do the Achy Breaky Heart. Call 410-727-FILM for film times. The Senator— Looking to bag that big date with some *culcha*? Go to the always-cool Senator and see that romance movie to end all romance movies, *Titanic* (noon, 4 p.m., 8 p.m.). What love story would be complete without sweeping scenery, lovely music, great costumes and 1500 people dying of hypothermia? Ahhh, romance! Call 410-435-8338 for more information. Sony Theatre Rounda— Lonelyhearts: Shopping for some chocolate frosting, Haagen Dazs and candy bars at Giant this V-Day?

to complete studies, and the amount of funds needed. The enclosure of a self-addressed, stamped envelope will speed the process. Foreign students temporarily in this country do not qualify for loans. Contact Maria Dixon or Wendy Russell at SAIS's Office of Financial Aid for more information.

The German Society of Maryland is offering scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students of German ancestry residing in Maryland. Qualifications include a minimum GPA of 3.0 and at least two completed semesters of study. Special consideration will be given to students who are studying the German language or the culture of German speaking countries. Students must file the Princeton Financial Aid Form in order to qualify. Write to the German Society of Maryland at P.O. Box 22585, Baltimore, Maryland 21203-4585 or call the Society at 410-865-0450 for an application. The application deadline is April 15.

The Austin Film Festival is currently accepting entries in its 1998 Screenplay Competition and Film Competition. Winners in the screenplay categories (adult and family) receive the Heart of Film Bronzed Award, \$4,000 cash, a trip to the Screenwriters Conference, and the opportunity to participate in a yearlong mentorship program with the industry's leading screenwriters. Entry postmark deadline for this competition is May 15, 1998. All finalists in the film competition categories (feature, short and student short) participate in the festival. Feature film winners receive \$750; short and student short film winners receive \$500. The entry deadline for this competition is August 7, 1998. Contact Marsha Milam at 512-478-4795 or via e-mail at [austinfilm@aol.com](mailto:austinfilm@aol.com), Jill McGuckin at 512-478-0578, or check out <http://www.austinfilmfestival.org> for more information.

Homewood residents concerned about security should contact Regine in the Housing Office at 410-516-2961. Meetings with Carol Mohr are on Mondays at 4 p.m. and Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Homewood Conference Room.

SAIS's Multimedia Center is open Mondays through Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to

Why not go to the Sony to see the light with *The Apostle* (1:20 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10 p.m.), starring Robert Duvall. Or if you are more in the mood to learn about the Brazilian Military Revolt, *Four Days in September* (2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.) would be more up your alley. The Brazilian Military Revolt always cheers me up. Call 410-235-1800 for more information. Towson Commons— Still looking for love? I've got the answer for you. Not one... not two... not three... not four... but FIVE foxy babes in *Spice World* (12:10 p.m., 2:20 p.m., 4:30 p.m.). Yep, you lonely guys or gals can see Sporty, Scary, Grumpy, Sleepy, Dummy, Doc, Bambi and Kiki Spice shake their tail feathers. What a way to spend a day devoted to love! If that don't do it for ya, *Great Expectations* (12:05 p.m., 2:50 p.m., 5:10 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 10:10 p.m.) oughtta. Where else can you go to see Gwyneth Paltrow naked for a full half an hour? And for you girls, you can watch Gwyneth and compare your... assets. On second thought, maybe you ladies should go see *Good Will Hunting* (1 p.m., 2:40 p.m., 4 p.m., 5:25 p.m., 7:10

4:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. during the spring semester.

A new comprehensive overview of Johns Hopkins is now available in a single booklet. It's perfect for use in recruiting faculty, staff, and students, orienting visitors, and providing background about the university to anyone who might need it. The 28-page, four-color booklet, called simply "The Johns Hopkins University," includes historical information, a brief look at the entire institution, and details about the nine principal divisions. There are interesting "factoids" and statistical "fast facts," and coverage of the university's libraries, international campuses, and academic centers and institutes. There is also a section on The Johns Hopkins Hospital and Health System. Copies are available for \$2.50 each, and the minimum order is 10 copies. For orders of 50-99 copies, the price is \$2.25 per copy; for orders of 100 or more, \$2 per copy. Contact Alicia Campbell or Gayle Hunter at 410-516-7109 for a sample copy. To place an order, complete an M&S form and either send it to Overview Booklet, Communications and Public Affairs, Homewood campus or fax it to (410) 516-5251. Please include your name, campus address, phone number, the quantity you are ordering, and a budget number to be charged. Your order will be sent through campus mail, unless you request otherwise.

The Office of Community Relations & Volunteer Services is willing to offer a class in American Sign Language again this semester if there are at least twelve people willing to take it. To date, there are six interested people. Call 410-516-4777 for more information or if you would like to put your name on the list.

The Second Decade Society is looking for an exceptional Krieger School of Arts & Sciences graduating senior and would like your help. To help their missions to develop leadership for the School and to bridge the gap between life on campus and life after graduation, the SDS has established a Leadership Award to honor a student who has shown leadership qualities either at Hopkins or in the community and has raised

p.m., 8:10 p.m., 10 p.m., 10:50 p.m.), where the men are still sexy even with those Bah-Stahn accents. And what would Valentine's Day be without a movie about the Dalai Lama? At least that's what *Kundun* (6:45 p.m.) wants us to think. For the other spiritualists in the audience, *The Apostle* (12:45 p.m., 3:50 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10:15 p.m.) is about a small-town preacher prone to romantic encounters. Okay-y, maybe you should go see *Oscar and Lucinda* (12:30 p.m., 3:20 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 9:30 p.m.) about a hard drinking, gambling priest. Well, on the other hand.... Maybe you "Soul Men" would be better off seeing *Blues Brothers 2000* (1:30 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:50 p.m., 12:15 a.m.), with John Goodman trying to fill John Belushi's big shoes, Like water? Like underwater monsters? You're in luck. Two, count 'em, TWO movies about water beasts: *Sphere* (1:15 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:50 p.m., 9:40 p.m., 12:15 a.m.) and *Deep Rising* (12:20 p.m., 12:15 a.m.). Or, for the most bitter lover, go see lotsa kids get whacked in *I Know What You Did Last Summer* (12:10 a.m. Friday and Saturday only). Call 410-825-5233 for more information.

the public profile of JHU. The recipient will receive \$500 and will be honored at the University's Award Ceremony in April. Contact Jill Paulson at the SDS to nominate a student.

HERO is in need of caring volunteers to become "buddies" to people living with HIV in the Baltimore Area. Contact Tracey Seabolt at 410-685-1180 for more information.

Got an hour to spare? Moveable Feast is seeking volunteers available Monday through Friday to help prepare or deliver meals for homebound people with AIDS in Baltimore city, county, and the surrounding areas. Call 410-243-4604 for more information and to find out how valuable an hour of your time can be.

The Baltimore Alumni Chapter is offering free tickets to some of its alumni events as part of a new alumni-student interaction initiative. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Korkud Egrican at 410-516-0363 or via e-mail at [korkud@jhu.edu](mailto:korkud@jhu.edu) for more information.

The Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing is soliciting proposals for the 1998-99 grant period. The proposal research should provide fundamental knowledge needed to develop replacement alternative tests for safety and/or hazard evaluation, risk assessment and efficacy of commercial products. Investigation is encouraged in in vitro approaches to evaluating cellular and target organ toxicity such as developing new cell culture systems, applying current testing methodology to human cells or call lines and designing new mechanistic state-of-the-art methods that may utilize cultured cells, computer technology, or any other system applicable to toxicity/efficacy evaluation. At the present time, CAAT does not fund projects relating to carcinogenicity or mutagenicity, or those not focused on developing testing strategies. The maximum grant award for this period is \$20,000. Applications must be placed on a CAAT Preproposal Abstract Form (98-99) which are available from Gloria Mahlstedt at CAAT, 111 Market Place, Suite 840, Baltimore, MD 21202-6709, by phone at 410-223-1693, by fax at 410-223-1603, or by e-mail at [gloria@caat.spharbor.jhu.edu](mailto:gloria@caat.spharbor.jhu.edu).

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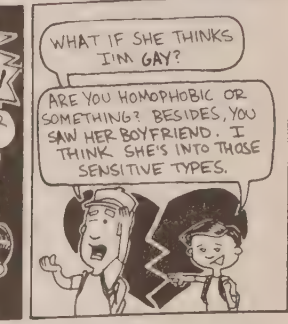
Campus notes are provided free of charge as a service to JHU-affiliated campus groups. Please submit a brief paragraph to us by Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m. by electronic mail (News-Letter@jhu.edu) or by dropping off a copy at our offices.



# Horoscope

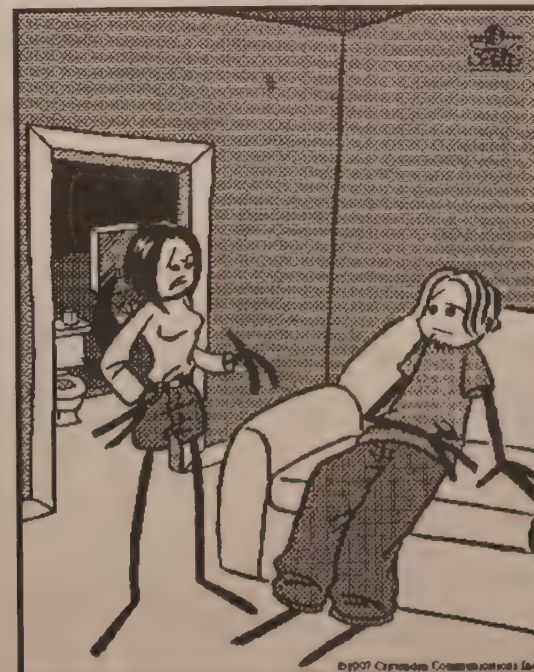


Weekend study sessions never work out—you always *mean* to do schoolwork, but you end up watching TV and eating Pringles instead.



Add salt to taste. If you are making this ahead of time, refrigerate it until it's ready to be served, but more than likely you'll just want to stuff yourself with it right now. ¡Qué gusto!

Bonus word:  
*Poland*



"I appreciate the fact that you keep the toilet seat down for me... but could you just not peg on it too?"





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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Totally bedridden young man in downtown nursing home desperately needs regular visitors. "Woody" has muscular dystrophy, mild mental retardation and difficulty communicating due to a breathing machine. He loves *Barney*, children's videos, music & more. Please call 410-385-3310 as soon as possible.

Part-time childcare needed. 3 months old. 12-14 hrs/ wk. Must be available Mon. 9-2; remaining hours flexible. Experience preferred. References required. \$5.50/hr. Rodgers Forge. Call Sally, (410) 825-9011.

**\$1000's Possible Typing.** Part Tlme. At Home. Toll Free, 1-800-218-9000 Ext. T-7836 for Listings.

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Two 9 X 12 carpets, light and dark grey. \$45 each, 410-243-21832.

'84 Mercedes Benz 300D. Turbo, garage kept, second owner, all records, MD inspected \$6500; '87 Subaru GL 4 dr., 5 spd., 112K miles, 2nd owner, MD inspected, stereo/cassette. AC. \$2000. 410-549-7252/ I.m.

'92 Plymouth Voyager, 94k, transferable warranty to 100k, one owner, in great running condition, hand controls and motorcarr lift that owner can remove, new transmission, brakes, tirps, muffler: \$3500. Call Dixon at 410-825-8038 or fax at JHU, 410-516-6828.

Amplifiers. Peavy. Guitar. 75 Watt. Clean, with improved speaker. \$100. Spectrum, bass. \$50. Call 410-366-4110 or cush@jhuunix.hcf.jhu.edu.

85 Nissan Sentra Wagon, blue, 5 doors, automatic, 130 K miles, new tires, runs great, \$990 or best offer. Call 410-203-9818 or email:yuehong@aplcnmp.apl.jhu.edu.

Sharp fax machine, 2 year old, ask for \$200 or best offer. Call 410-203-9818.

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Pro-Series 486 SX computer. 120 MB hard drive, 8MB RAM, 16 bit

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Moving sale: window curtains (\$15) radiocassette (\$15), lamps (\$20), bed linen, tableware OBO, 410-662-7742.

Movado watch, beautiful two-tone ladies watch, gold dial, retail over \$600, sac \$335 obo; Ferraga leather purse, made in Italy-good condition, \$54 obo; some Versace items (belt, shirts). Great Christmas items. Contact Howard,email: hyoung@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

1992 Honda Accord LX, gray, 4 doors, automatic, air conditioner, ABS, 59,000 miles, excellent condition, \$12,900/best offer. Call DI410-889-0301 (after 6 p.m. or diw@jhu.edu.

Full-sized sharp digital microwave with carousal for sale. Excellent condition, including original packaging. White w/ clock/time. Asking \$50. Ergonomic chair for \$10! Grey upholstery on knee and seat pads. Adjustable and on wheels. Please contact Christopher: cgardner@jhuunix.hcf.jhu.edu. or 410-243-3208.

Ethan Allen 9-pc mahogany DR set \$4000 (like-new, half-price), Ethan Allen Oriental Breakfront \$2500, single bed set \$75. Call Jo, 410-461-0942.

Women's Winter Jacket: *Lands' End* brand. Waterproof. Color blue. Size small (generous). \$30. Deb, 410-516-8561.

Sofa 78" for \$35. Basic color is beige with various designs throughout. Call 410-662-6641.

93 DodgeShadow, white, auto, alc, 56 miles , ask \$4800.00/obo. Please call 410-823-2932 or 410-955-2944 (w).

**For Sale:** Royal Copenhagen Christmas Plates 1919, 1921, 1959, 1972 in perfect condition. Reasonably priced. Call 410-728-8933.

Honda '85 Dirt Bike, XR 200-excellent condition, \$650 or best offer. Also boots size 11 (free). Please call 410-538-5853.

Mountain Bike, Shenango-Cicnal 200 GS-7 speed, black-only used 3 times. Paid \$250/Sell \$160 or best offer. Please call 410-252-7445.

CAMERA, Olympus OM-88, SLR, for sale with flash. Camera has automatic settings for exposure and an adapter for manual settings. Lense on the camera is 28-70 mm zoom. \$200 obo. Email cyn@malt.cs.jhu.edu.

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**For sale:** Lifestyle exercise machine, excellent condition, \$75 (negotiable). Call 410-538-5853 after 5:30 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Beginner 4pc temprom drum set. Base drum 20," tom 12," snare 14," floor tom 16," Ludwig drum heads, white pearl, \$350 (negotiable). Call 410-252-7445.

Must sell: Yamaha upright piano, excellent condition, asking \$2,000. No reasonable offer refused. Call 410-358-8025 evenings/ can leave message anytime or can e-mail rqnbar@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

Sofa 92" soft blue, \$180; Loveseat, \$80; Chair and Ottoman, \$100; Queen bed, \$190; Pine round table 36" and 2 chairs, \$165; Desk 62" x 30," \$100; Panasonic VCR and 12" TV, \$95; Kettle, \$12. Call (410) 435-4697.

For Sale Microwave, 10 speed bike, bed, futon, charis and lamps, vacuum cleaner, color TV, VCR, coffee table, huge 9 drawer dresser. 377 - 0038.

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Walk to JHU. Large, sunny room available in great rowhouse in a safe, quiet neighborhood. Hardwood floors, newly painted, new kitchen appliances,kwasher/dryer, 1 1/2bath, small fenced in yard, parking available. \$375/mo. & utilities. 410-235-9349. Available immediately.

ROOMMATE WANTED: Penthouse apartment, very large terrace w/view of city, private bath, Guilford/JHU-\$600/month, call Chris at 410-243-2408.

Housemate wanted to share 2BR, 1BA house near JHU and shuttle. \$250/mo+ 1/2 utils. 410-366-2254 (eve) or yding@curie.eps.jhu.edu.

Female grad, non-smoker needed to share Fells Pt./Canton Rowhouse, large 2nd floor bedroom, great parking, two decks, harbor view, W/D. \$340/mo. + 1/2 utilities. Please call Kathy, 410-563-1236 or kromans@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

Grad to share 3 bedroom RH. Very close to Homewood Shuttle. \$230/ mo. + 1/3 util. WD, plentiful parking. Avail Jan.1. 410-235-4652. hachey@mts.jhu.edu.

Charles Village large furnished 1 BR apartment. 5 min walk to JHU Homewood campus. \$250/mo. + util. 410-366-7260.

Wanted: 3rd person to share apartment in Wyman Towers Apartment Complex. The rent is approximately \$230/mo+ utilities. The room has wall to wall carpet and is available immediately. Call Ben or Dave at 410-366-8112 or page Ben at: 410-847-0067.

JHU employee seeks female student to share 2 BR Row-home in Federal Hill. Can car pool to campus. Huge house, modern appliances, furnished, quiet street near Cross St. Market and Inner Harbor. Available January to June. \$350 + utilities/month. Call 516-6484 or sbuchman@jhu.edu for more details.

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One housemate needed, safe area Charles Village, W/D, DW, A/C, newly-remodeled kitchen/baths, \$265/mo. Phone evenings, Judy 337-7052.

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Free furnished efficiency apt. (Roland Park) plus small stipend in exchange 16 1/2 hours childcare, housekeeping, errands, etc. Must be student, non-smoker with safe care. Call 467-0800

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3 BR townhouse with a family room. Features, new gas stove, ceiling fan, vinyl floor, refrigerator, washer & dryer, gas heat, cac, new carpet, remodeled bathroom, 1 1/2 bath. Nice size backyard with shed. Call Earl and Sandy, 410-282-7252.

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Ellicott City beautiful, spacious 4 BR, 2BA single home on 1/2 acre landscaped lot in great neighborhood. Features new kitchen and baths, all appliances, washer/dryer, CAC, hardwood floors, large deck, good schools, in-law or roommates possible. Easy commute. \$1450/mo. + util. Call 410-750-2648

Sublet: Available now. Large studio apartment at the Hopkins House (39th Street). 12th Floor with sliding glass doors to balcony. Rent includes all utilities. Call Terri at 410-889-3298.

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Subleterneeded for Spring Semester. Beautiful three bedroom spacious apartment with all wood floors and awesome roommates. \$305/month + utilities. Across the street from the lacross field

at 104 W. University Pkwy. For more information call Joslin @ 410-467-7816 or email joslin@jhuunix.hcf.jhu.edu.

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Twin bed, sofa bed, entertainment center, tables, tv, vacuum cleaner, carpets, air conditioner & more 18monthsold.OBO. 410-662-7742, cmathis@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

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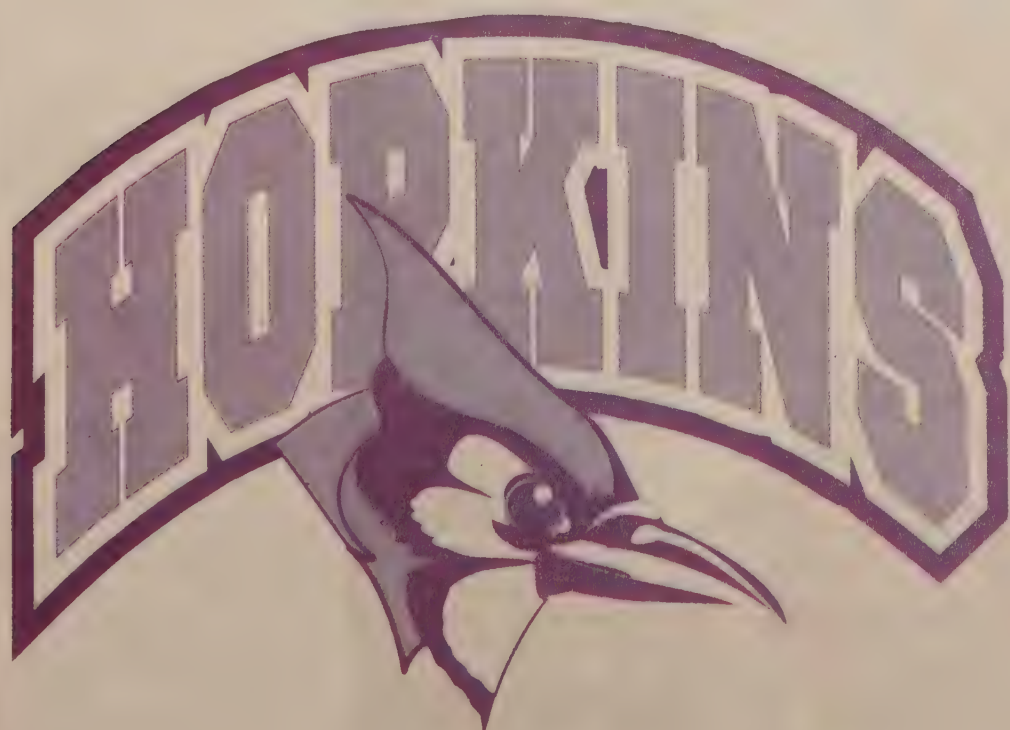
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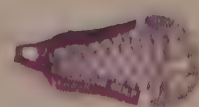


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Although the warm weather of Spring seems to have arrived a little early, the 1998 Lacrosse Season is here not a moment too soon. And with it comes the *News-Letter Lacrosse Preview*. We'll take you through the ins and outs of the season, from a men's team rebounding from a heartbreaking defeat last year, to a women's team going for a memorable last season in Division III.

We would like to thank our *News-Letter* teammates for their extraordinary efforts to make this Lacrosse Preview a reality. In addition to the sports writers and photographers, special mentions are in order for those who sacrificed their weekend to execute the words and pictures into a great design.

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# Men's vs. Women's: It's a whole different game

**T**he Men against the Women. In a matchup of skill, speed and finesse, who would win? In a popularity contest, the winner is clear. The Hopkins lacrosse tradition, for a century, has been the men's lacrosse tradition. But over the past few years, the women's team has made a name for itself in the Division III arena. Its recent successes have brought it some recognition, but also competition for due respect in the Hopkins lacrosse tradition.

To gain any respect for a game, there must be an understanding of it. And with the spotlight on the men's team, not many fans know much about the women's game. However, there is one fan who knows the women's game well, and is qualified to compare the two.

## Ladies' Man

Rick Fried has been playing lacrosse above the college level for 9 years. His offensive play as an All-American attack at UMBC and as a professional on the Thunder and the Wings had great Division I opponents in mind. Now he constructs his offense around female opponents, as he is the offensive assistant coach for the Hopkins Women's team.

With his inside advantage in both games, Fried has found some surprising distinctions between the two games. However, since the two sports are conceptually similar, his strategies of play didn't have to change much once he moved onto the women's field.

"Conceptually, the two games are the same thing: The goal is to score more goals and you go about it the same way," he said. The tactical aspects of settled offensive and defensive rides are also similar, according to Fried.

## Men Hold Big Sticks

But visually, the two games are obviously different, from equipment to style. "The games look totally different because one is much more physical and the other is much more finesse." While the women wear skirts and have only a mouthguard for protection, men pad their upper body and wear helmets. Their sticks are different in that women's sticks are almost uniformly the same height

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and do not have a large pocket in which to carry the ball comfortably. The men, on the other hand, carry extra long sticks on the defense, some over six feet long, and all of the sticks have deep pockets that keep the ball from falling out.

"I think it takes more skill to play women's lacrosse because of the lack of the pocket," admitted Fried. "It's especially more difficult to play women's defense. You can't just throw your stick at them," said Coach Fried, explaining how women's lacrosse is not a contact sport. Only the stick may be "checked," knocked to dislodge the ball, in women's lacrosse. While men "cross check" and "body check" each other to dislodge the ball. "For the women's game, you must understand the fundamentals—footwork, positioning."

## Philosophizing Lax

From a coach's point of view, Fried finds another major difference in the philosophies of coaching: There seem to be no fundamental rules of play in women's lacrosse. "If you take any ten men who play lacrosse and put them together, they'd probably figure out how to play together. Women's teams seem to be taught many different strategies."

And the amount of coaching also differs. "From the rulebook, the women's philosophy is to let the game be decided by the players." This means less coaching time and less time for strategizing, which is apparent in certain rules. For example, men have two time outs per half, while women have two for the whole game. During an injury time-out, men's teams may talk to coaches, while women must stay on the field.

There have been attempts to keep the two sports totally separated, mainly by women who don't want to be affiliated with the men's sport. "These 'traditionalists' are so worried about keeping the sport separate that it might be a detriment to the game," said Fried who referred to the "restraining line" in men's lacrosse that allows only six on the

attack at once.

There have been attempts to change women's lacrosse, which is more frequently being played with all eleven players coming down to the offense, to adhere to the same line. Fried believes this rule would be beneficial, making offensive play more safe, and preserving the midfield passing of the women's game.

A different rule change that moved the two sports closer together, Fried found detrimental to the game. For a few years, in Massachusetts, girls who played public school lacrosse wore helmets. This rule, implemented for safety, actually caused more head and neck injuries. "With equipment, players become wilder and less in control. It's not safer," explained Fried. "It's more dangerous."

Integration of the two sports is also an issue. With women's rules and women's sticks, coed lacrosse clubs are taking form in Australia.

There have also been cases of women playing on men's teams in high school when a woman's team was not offered. And there is always the question: Men vs. Women, who would win?

Fried had an answer, and proof. Each year at UMBC, his team played the women with women's rules and women's sticks.

"The men will probably always win," said Fried, approaching the subject delicately. "So it may seem like they are more skilled, but it's not that they are better skilled with a woman's stick. It's just that men are physically stronger and faster."

For Fried, speed and strength make the men's game more exciting, with hitting and action. He feels the women's game is more graceful and takes more talent.

From playing plenty of men's lacrosse, to watching and coaching a great deal of both sports, Fried has come to understand what he sees and know what he likes.

"The beauty of women's lacrosse is in the midfield connections. And while it is very exciting, I don't know if there is a beauty to men's lacrosse."

"But watching a highly skilled women's game is better than watching a highly skilled men's lacrosse game because you can appreciate the talent and skill more in a woman's game."

## men's lacrosse tickets

- Homewood faculty and staff are eligible to receive two complimentary general admission season tickets for Johns Hopkins' eight regular season home games. The season tickets are available in the Department of Athletics main office from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Faculty and staff are requested to have proper university identification available when picking up season tickets. Complimentary tickets for faculty and staff will be available only through March 13.

- Additional season tickets can be purchased for \$40 for general admission seating. Reserved Section seating is also available at a cost of \$80 per ticket for the season. Reserved Section tickets are available only at full price for the season and cannot be purchased on an individual game basis.

- General admission tickets for individual games will be available for purchase in the Department of Athletics' main office the week of the game, and on game day, at a cost of \$5 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under/senior citizens. On game days, ticket windows will open for sale two hours prior to face-off.

- Group tickets are available on an individual basis at a cost of \$2 per ticket, with a minimum of 20 tickets per group. Group tickets must be arranged in advance and cannot be purchased on game day.

- Students will be admitted to all regular season games free of charge with a Student ID.

## Athletic center closed on game days

- The Newton H. White Jr. Athletic Center will operate on an abbreviated schedule on the dates that men's lacrosse games will be played at home.

On Saturday game days, the Athletic Center will not open as usual in the morning, and will remain closed until the conclusion of the lacrosse game. After the game, the building will open for use until 8:00 p.m., the Athletic Center's normal Saturday closing time. The one exception this season is on April 11 when the building will open as usual at 9:00 a.m. and close at noon for the remainder of the day.

On the three Wednesday evening game days, the Athletic Center will close at 5:00 p.m. and will not open until the following morning.



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# Gearing up for the game

If there is one thing that is unique about all sports, it is that they all require different personal equipment. Even techniques and skills can sometimes be transposed, inserted, or otherwise carried over into other athletic endeavors. But equipment is designed, styled, reformed, and engineered for reasons very particular to the sport intended—lacrosse is no different.

## The Uniform

Originally, the American Indians played lacrosse for days on end in little more than a loin, or breach, cloth. This allowed the women of the tribe to switch players who weren't "giving it their all."

Since its development as a team sport, professional appearance has gained importance in lacrosse. Accordingly, an entire team will be wearing identical uniforms, but the continuity of the player's apparel should not result in conflict of free motion. In men's lacrosse, this means a short-sleeved team jersey and a pair of matching shorts.

For women, this entails wearing a skirt (the length of which has shortened over the decades to reflect the style of the times) and a matching team jersey. Although hats are no longer worn, women did sometimes wear an unbilled soft-style cap at the turn of the century, while men from the same time period wore a canvas billed cap. Interestingly, the Blue Jay women have opted to change their uniform from the collared-style jersey to a more athletic uncollared type this year.

## Footwear and

### Turfgear

When playing on artificial turf, like the pitch on Homewood field, many players elect to wear (depending on the field conditions) cleatless "turf" shoes which are very much akin to sneakers or shoes in which the cleats aren't long enough or sharp enough to get caught in the artificial grass (thus avoiding needless injuries). On the other hand, when playing on a natural surface, the pace of the game slows considerably, and a more rugged game ensues. This requires a design similar to the type of shoe worn in the 1950s. Then, heavy-duty canvas shoes or boots with rubber soles and studs (or cleats) were the foot apparel of the day and are still the choice for natural grass in the

1990s (with a few fabric changes).

## Headgear and Gloves

Until the 1930s, the typical headgear involved little to no protection. Made purely of canvas or leather, headgear was meant to defend against some scratches and bruises. Eventually, some players decided to use only earguards to keep their extremities intact. Then, in 1932, the game got a little more serious. At this juncture, players found it necessary to facilitate a metallic faceguard. The first guards featured a sole bar splitting the face and a chin guard. The facemask was attached to a leather helmet with rope and was suspended in front of the players face. By 1947, the game had become faster and with that the need to permanently fasten the face guard to the helmet (still leather).

Finally in 1964, the creation of plastic allowed headgear to fully protect the players against any injury incurred in collisions. The first plastic helmets were universal, meaning that they were the same as ones used in baseball, but with a faceguard attached. The facemasks began to add more protection, too, with a fuller mask to aid in guarding against stray passes or shots.

Gloves have not undergone much change since they were first used in the 1800s. Some gloves are now made of synthetic materials which tend to resist wear better, but leather has always been the material of choice. The synthetic material also allows for easier personal modifications. Lacrosse is not unlike other sports in that some of the better players endorse specific equipment, for instance, the phenomenal double brother tandem Gait brothers have their own "Gait Guard."

There are a couple of different glove options for lax players—the field glove and the classic glove. The field glove differs from the classic glove in the protective factor. The classic glove is full and is virtually impenetrable. The field glove will eliminate blisters and hand wear, but won't offer much as far as injury protection.

## Padding

Unlike football, lacrosse is not a constant contact sport. Instead, it is a game based on a combination of elusiveness, technique, and power. This takes the need for hard-core shoulder pads out and replaces it with a more mobile, more flexible, and less bulky requirement. Many lax pads con-

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tain little, if any, external plastic. If some is included then it is usually to the sides of both shoulders (where most impact occurs). The chest area must remain pliable, and the upper arms must remain free (thus no padding) to allow for quick stick movement.

Rib pads are also worn to protect players from occasional blows to the side from an opponent's stick, and elbow/arm pads are also used by some players.

## The Crosse or Stick

The crosse, or stick, as it is now known, used to be made of American Hardwood, usually hickory and bent at an angle (slightly greater than 90 degrees) at the top so that the "gut" can be formed and the thongs and guard drawn across (net could be fastened). On wooden sticks, the leading strings require loosening after each usage so as to relieve any pull on the angle; since the stick was made of wood and leather, care became very important in prolonging the life of the stick. A good gauge for proper handle length was approximately the length of the arm of the player. One item of interest is that the stick could only be bent to accommodate right-handed players. This was because the rule stipulated that the wood must appear to the right hand side of the "bridge" which was a larger piece of leather/rope which was drawn across the base part of the "gut," or pocket.

The Indians who first played the sport used a three to four-foot-long stick and some tribes used two smaller sticks (one for each hand). In 1856, the Montreal lacrosse club brought about some technical changes. The club instituted a longer stick, and a larger "triangular" netting.

The year 1898 saw the Hopkins team beginning to realize that improvements and advances in sticks made the game quicker and heightened the element of skill involved with stick handling. It was then that they realized that shortening the stick allowed for better handling and reducing the size of the attackmen's net created a more difficult target for defensemen. Sticks continued to be made of leather and wood until about 1907, when some guts began to be fastened with rope.

There were not any innovations in stick design until 1938



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A typical set of gear: caged helmet, glove and stick.

when the first double wall design appeared. It was made entirely of wood and it was first used by its own innovator, Bobby Pool. In 1967, the Canadian National Lacrosse Association drew up the first set of rules stipulating that the stick had no limitations on length. Although there was also no stipulation on weight, the average stick weighted anywhere from 16.5-18 ounces. Later, it was determined that the crosse head could not exceed one foot in width. It was also in the 1960s that sticks made of different materials began to pop up.

Plastic heads, made of adiprene (urethane), replaced wooden ones, while the handle remained wooden or aluminum. It was in 1970 that the first stick was made with a removable head, and ever since 1971, every goal scored in a collegiate game has been with a plastic stick. Weight, strength and balance drove the industry to fashion a better stick and now many synthetic materials are used, including high-density polyethylene or nylon polymer blends.

Now, the overall length of the stick can range from 40 to 72 inches, with the exception of the goalie's stick, which has no length requirement. The width of the head of the stick is between 6 1/2 to 10 inches.

Generally, the more skilled a player is with stickwork the smaller the head width needs to be. Attackmen bear the smallest heads, while defensemen typically range to the other extreme. The length of the stick typically increases proportionally to the size of the head width.

## The Ball

As you well know from physics lab, the ball is not less than 7 3/4 inches nor more than 8 inches in circumference, and is usually made from white but sometimes black, orange or yellow rubber (different colors during different time periods). A ball typically weighs anywhere from 4 1/2 to 5 ounces, and must bounce to an approximate height of 43 to 51 inches when dropped from a height of 6 feet.

## The Goalie

Besides the helmet and gloves which are required by the rule book, the goalie also wears a chest pad and a cup supporter. Few goalies wear armpads and collars, and some even choose to go without the chestpad. It is imperative that the goalie be able to range freely when guarding the net so any equipment deemed unnecessary is usually removed. Some goalies can go so far as to wear shin pads, sweatpants or other protective leg gear, but most do not.

Even the palms of the gloves are taken out to ensure proper stick handling. The goal position's stick may be of any length and the pocket of any depth. However, most goalies use a stick ranging from 46 to 60 inches in length. The longer the stick, the easier clearing the ball becomes.

Goalies also employ the use of various other articles for which other players have no need such as throat protectors and thigh pads.



# Nothing short of DIII title will satisfy Jays

**T**hey might still be a year away from making the historic jump to Division I, but the Lady Jays want to leave a lasting impression on their Division III rivals.

After three Centennial Conference titles in four years, nothing short of an NCAA championship is going to satisfy this team in their Division III swan song.

If history is any indicator, the Jays are certainly due for a national title. Since 1994 they have marched through their Centennial opponents to compile an impressive 39-1 mark, the lone loss coming in 1996 to Ursinus.

Last year in the NCAA tournament, they dispatched Old Dominion and conference powerhouse Roanoke before losing a heartbreaker to eventual champions Middlebury, by a score of 6-20.

Nor are the Jays strangers to postseason play; Coach Tucker has guided her team to the brink of an NCAA title twice before, in 1994 and 1995. Both teams lost heartbreakers in the semifinals, but Tucker and her 1998 squad are hungry for another shot.

If anything, the possibility of winning close to home at this year's tournament at UMBC "only adds to our desire," said Tucker.

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ampionship will not be easy, though. The Jays are currently ranked third in the country in Division III, but open the season with a tough assignment, visiting the Lady Tar Heels of North Carolina.

The Tar Heels outplayed Hopkins last year, defeating them 14-3 at Homewood, but the Jays are looking to exact some revenge this year. North Carolina will become a key rival when Hopkins moves up to Division I, and are exactly the kind of non-Conference preparation they will need if they are to end their Division III tradition with a bang.

Indeed, the schedule is full of tough games designed not only to help Hopkins make the transition to Division I, but also to strengthen the team for its final season in the Centennial Conference. According to Tucker, the only way to win the Centennial championship is to go undefeated. "The talent level in the Conference (is) a serious challenge," said Tucker, "but it's a challenge that we are excited to face."

After North Carolina, Hopkins continues on the road to face an-

other DI opponent, Mount St. Mary's, before opening Conference play at home against Muhlenberg on March 21.

Other tough matches include a visit to second-ranked College of New Jersey on April 2, and late-season confrontations against DI teams UMBC and St. Joseph's.

If the Jays are to find success, they will need to make up for the graduation of 1997 National Defensive Player of the Year Mary Ann McGuire. McGuire led the team in draw controls and groundballs last year, but Tucker can look to a host of capable defenders ready to fill her shoes.

Senior defender Maria Fontoura will lead the way with her outstanding speed to halt opposing attacks. Junior Mimi Sokolowski, a versatile player with an agile stick, led the team in assists last year with 24, but makes the move from offense to join Fontoura on defense.

Fontoura and Sokolowski will most be flanked by Candice Smith, a tough freshman with a knack for reading opposing offenses.

The Jays also boast an outstanding corps of defensive midfielders. Junior Ramsey Neale is an aggressive one-on-one defender, but her speed and versatility make her a potential goal-scoring threat as well.

She joins senior Janice Yoo, one of the team's most dependable players. Yoo has been a starter at defensive midfield for four years, and last year was the co-winner of the team's Unsung Hero award.

At goalie the Jays have arguably their greatest asset in senior Anita Patibandla. Patibandla, like Yoo, has been a starter since her freshman year, and last year established herself as one of the premier goalies in the Conference, winning a position as a second-team All American. She ranks third in JHU history in saves, and is one of the team's vocal leaders.

In an interview with the *News-Letter*, Patibandla suggested that although the Jays will look different without McGuire in the backfield, they have most likely improved. "We'll miss (McGuire), no question, but we've spread out the talent. We're not just a team of four or five talented girls."

One of the biggest changes for the Jays, and indeed for their op-



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**Hopkins will miss the intensity of defender Mary Ann McGuire.**

ponents, according to Patibandla, is the new rule change taking effect in NCAA women's lacrosse.

Beginning this year, league regulations will include a restraining line, permitting only 7 players from each team on the offensive side of the field. "We're one of the few teams that is actually going to benefit from the restraining line," said the goalie.

"It prevents teams from stacking 11 players in front of the cage to prevent us from scoring," elaborated Tucker.

The addition of the restraining line also means more opportunities for Tucker to implement a structured offensive game plan. Tucker's offensive philosophy is somewhat unconventional in that it calls for not one, but two players feeding passes from behind the net. Those two players will most likely be junior Nancy Kim and sophomore Danielle Masuchi. Kim is looking to rebound from an injury that kept her out all of last season. She is a skilled passer with an agile stick, and will undoubtedly wreak havoc on opposing defenses.

Maschuci has been described as a player with "unlimited natural ability." She was second on the team last year with a 43.2 percent shooting percentage, and was also named as an All-American second-teamer.

Kim and Maschuci will be running an offense that features junior Neda Dawood, last year's top scorer, and senior Cathy Dancz, who shares co-captain duties with

Patibandla. Dawood's performance was somewhat of a surprise last year, but this season she will be expected to shoulder much of the offensive load.

Dancz leads the Jays offensive midfield with her persistence and intensity. Also seeing significant time at middle will be Heather Pertel, a speedy senior who forced 13 turnovers last year, and freshman Jessica Popham, who looks to challenge for the starting center position.

"I think we're a much faster team," said Patibandla of the overall composition of this year's squad.

Tucker warned that "our biggest weakness is that we have a number of younger, inexperienced girls who we will count on to fill key roles."

Certainly, experience will be a factor, but the level of talent suggests that Hopkins will plow through the Centennial Conference once again. Ursinus and Gettysburg have been marked as potentially tough conference opponents, but Patibandla points out "it would make their season if they beat us. We don't want to let that happen."

As for the NCAA's, defending champion Middlebury is ranked at the top of Division III, and the College of New Jersey, ranked second, could also pose problems. But the Jays are talented, quick, and most importantly, hungry. If they stay injury-free, they could leave a most impressive mark on the Division.



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**Senior Heather Pertel calls for the ball on the sideline.**



# Lady Jays roll to semis

**T**he Johns Hopkins women's lacrosse team proved itself to be one of the most powerful in Division III in 1997. The Blue Jays went undefeated in the Centennial conference in winning the conference championship and qualified for the NCAA Semifinals for the fourth time in the last five years.

After finishing second in the conference in the previous year, the Blue Jays fought hard to win the Centennial championship in 1997. In the past four years, the Blue Jays have established an amazing 39-1 record against the conference schools.

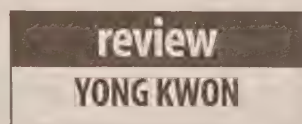
Although the Blue Jays lost its two all-time leading scorers and returned only 34 percent of the goal production of the previous year, head coach Janine Tucker and the spirited team led the charge into the semifinals in the 1997 NCAA tournament.

"We had a great year. I was very pleased with the team's effort and when the team gave me the best that they had, I couldn't ask for anything more," commented Tucker.

The season opened against North Carolina, who handed Hopkins a 14-3 defeat.

After having to deal with the speed and athleticism of the Division I Tar Heels, the team felt good about the upcoming games against Division III teams.

Using the tough opener as a positive experience, Hopkins quickly turned the tables, beating Division I Mount St. Mary's, 15-8, then pulverizing Muhlenberg 20-1 and squeaking by Gettysburg, 8-6. Then the two following away games were rather unsuccessful. Against Roanoke,



the Blue Jays not only blew the first-half lead but also lost in the overtime by one goal, before losing to perennial power The College of New Jersey 15-4 the following week.

*...the Blue Jays displayed their maturity and poise when they crushed Franklin & Marshall in the season finale 23-6...*

"One of the lowest points of our season besides the loss against the tremendous eventual champion Middlebury was the game against The College of New Jersey in which I thought we could have fought harder and could have made it a closer game," said Tucker.

Bouncing back from the consecutive defeats, the Blue Jays blazed by Bryn Mawr 20-2, climbed above .500 and managed to assemble a nine-game winning streak.

In an anticipated rematch against Ursinus who handed Hopkins the only conference de-

feat in 1996 season, the Blue Jays edged them 6-4 in Collegeville.

The Blue Jays didn't have much breathing room as they led the resilient Gettysburg team by just one game in the conference. However, the Blue Jays displayed their maturity and poise when they crushed Franklin & Marshall in the season finale 23-6 and claimed the conference championship.

"One of the highest points of the last season definitely was winning the Centennial Conference Championship. I mean, we worked hard all season long and our players devoted tremendous effort to winning the conference and we did just that," commented Tucker.

In the NCAA tournament, the Blue Jays first hosted Roanoke at home. Making sure that the regular season outcome would not reoccur, the Blue Jays jumped out to an early lead and this time they never relinquished it, defeating the Maroons 15-7.

In the game, sophomore Neda Dawood led the team with 4 goals, sophomore Mimi Sokolowski contributed with 3 goals and an assist, and freshman Danielle Maschuci scored 2 and assisted on 2 goals.

After rolling by Roanoke, Blue Jays unfortunately ran into the eventual Division III champs Middlebury. Although Hopkins stayed close in the first 12 minutes trailing by just a goal, 4-3, Middlebury exploded with 11 consecutive goals and took the game 20-6.

"Obviously, the lowest point of our season was our loss to Middlebury. Middlebury was so incredibly skilled that on our best day, I honestly think we would



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**Junior Mimi Sokolowski is poised for Division I action.**

have lost by a couple (goals).

"Sure, we don't like to lose, but when you really think about it, it was better to lose to an eventual champion than some team that was weaker than our team," said Tucker.

"Our returning players this year went through the tough time of recovering when we lost that game against Middlebury. And I think that feeling of agony spilled over to this season and we will use it as a momentum builder going into this season," added Tucker.

Senior defender and co-captain Mary Ann McGuire, who first ventured onto the lacrosse field as a freshman, developed into one of the nation's top all-around players. She was recognized as the first Hopkins woman to be named the Brine/IWLCA Defensive player of the year.

In addition, the Centennial Conference also tabbed McGuire its 1997 Player of the Year, making her the third Blue Jay in four years to be so named.

McGuire led the Blue Jays in draw controls (70), groundballs (72), forced turnovers (54), but also posted career highs in goals (19) and points (21) from her defensive position.

"I was so pleased to see Mary Ann McGuire earn such award and for the team, it was one of the highlights of the season. She is a very hard working individual and she has the leadership skills as well and was definitely one of the most valuable players on our

team," said Tucker.

In its final season in Division III before they move up to Division I, the Blue Jays hope to secure their place among the elite teams in the history of the classification.

*"Sure, we don't like to lose, but when you really think about it, it was better to lose to an eventual champion than some team that was weaker than our own."*

**—COACH TUCKER**

Hopkins will welcome back its five top scorers and All-American junior goalkeeper Anita Patibandla. Although the defense will be challenged to replace McGuire, the Blue Jays will return a group of young talents and will be prepared to make a title run.



FILE PHOTO

**Junior Ramsey Neale eludes a defender, threading the needle with her pass.**



# 1998 HOPKINS WOMEN'S LACROSSE TEAM

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so. **00** gk  
SARA LOVE



sr. **2** d/m  
JANICE YOO



fr. **3** d/m  
KIMBERLY DICONZA



jr. **4** a  
NANCY KIM



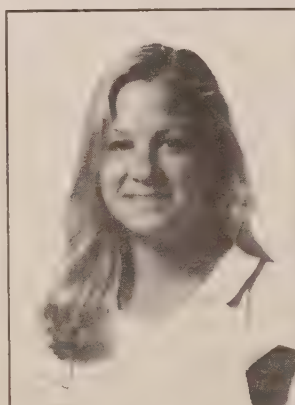
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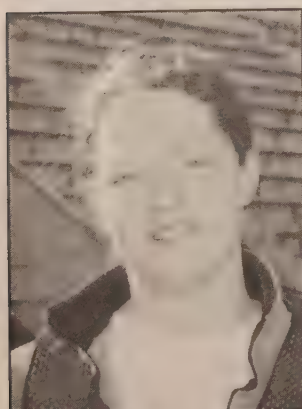
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RAMSEY NEALE



fr. **7** a  
LAUREN CARNEY



so. **8** d/m  
BARBARA ORDES



jr. **9** d  
MIMI SOKOLOWSKI



so. **10** a/m  
ELIZABETH KOZA



sr. **11** d  
CELE BEACH



FILE PHOTO  
*Sophomore Danielle Maschuci eludes a defender. Her great footwork helped her to a .432 shooting percentage.*





FILE PHOTO  
Senior co-captain Maria Fontoura picks up the loose ball en route to the goal.



fr. **12** d/m  
AMY BRUSCHI



so. **13** a  
DANIELLE MASCHUCI



jr. **14** a  
KATE BRADBURY



fr. **15** a/m  
LISA TERNES



so. **17** d/m  
LAURA EKAS



sr. **18** a/m  
HEATHER PERTEL



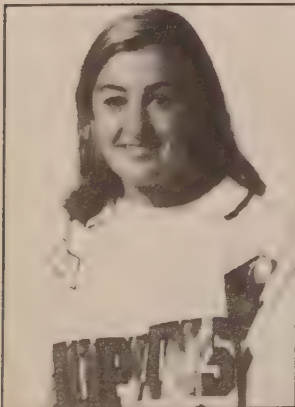
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LAURIE BETTER



jr. **22** a/m  
NEDA DAWOOD



fr. **23** a/m  
JESSICA POPHAM



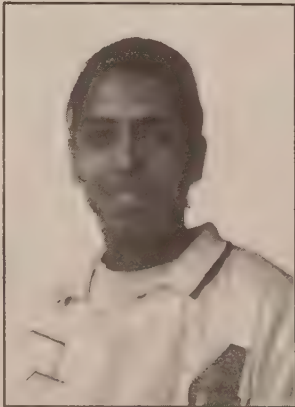
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A. KATE HERITAGE



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CATHY DANCZ



fr. **33** d/m  
CANDICE SMITH



sr. **73** gk  
ANITA PANTIBANDLA

**legend**  
D• DEFENSE  
A• ATTACK  
M • MIDFIELD  
G= GOAL KEEPER



# 1997 Women's lacrosse statistics & results

## Game-by-Game Results

Date	Opponent	W/L	JHU	Opp	Site
3-15	North Carolina	L	3	14	Home
3-19	Mt. St. Mary's	W	15	8	Home
3-22	Muhlenberg	W	15	8	Home
3-25	Gettysburg	W	20	1	Home
3-29	Roanoke	L	11	12	Home
4-3	New Jersey	L	5	14	Home
4-5	Bryn Mawr	W	20	2	Away
4-8	Dickinson	W	16	2	Home
4-12	Ursinus	W	6	4	Away
4-19	Haverford	W	11	4	Home
4-22	Western Maryland	W	8	7	Away
4-24	Swarthmore	W	10	6	Away
4-26	Washington	W	14	3	Away
4-29	F&M	W	23	6	Home
5-10	Roanoke#	W	15	7	Home
5-17	Middlebury##	L	6	20	N/A

# NCAA First Round

## NCAA Semifinals at Lehigh



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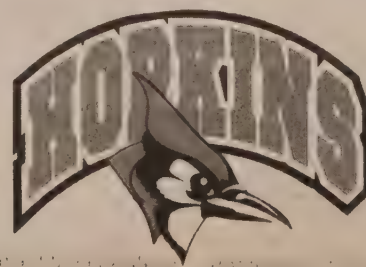
Senior co-captain Cathy Dancz speeds past defenders.

## Scoring

No.	Player	Goals	Assists	Points	Shots	Shot%	FPG	FPS	FPS%	DC	GB	Blk/Int	+TO	-TO	Fouls
22	Neda Dawood	38	3	41	99	.384	4	24	.167	37	28	1	15	30	10
13	Danielle Maschuci	35	5	40	81	.432	6	13	.462	12	36	4	19	31	10
9	Mimi Sokolowski	15	24	39	38	.395	2	5	.400	1	30	0	15	45	6
24	Kate Heritage	19	8	27	44	.432	1	7	.143	2	24	0	1	26	3
10	Elizabeth Koza	18	4	22	38	.474	4	8	.500	13	38	4	12	10	1
33	Mary Ann McGuire	19	2	21	41	.463	4	10	.400	70	72	10	54	21	29
19	Laurie Better	10	9	19	21	.476	1	2	.500	1	19	1	7	23	2
32	Cathy Dancz	8	7	15	34	.235	2	4	.500	6	31	3	19	29	10
3	Tracy Brady	13	1	14	37	.351	4	7	.571	3	20	0	8	23	5
18	Heather Pertel	7	1	8	22	.318	1	6	.167	6	33	3	13	14	11
14	Kate Bradbury	2	5	7	7	.286	1	1	1.000	1	5	1	2	8	0
6	Ramsey Neale	3	1	4	12	.250	1	3	.333	4	15	3	8	13	6
2	Janice Yoo	2	1	3	6	.333	0	0	.000	11	41	4	21	10	12
5	Maria Fontoura	1	0	1	6	.167	0	1	.000	2	26	8	18	8	3
8	Barbara Ordes	0	1	1	10	.000	0	1	.000	2	20	2	6	8	3
16	Lara Fisher	1	0	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	4	46	18	33	5	16
11	Cele Beach	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	23	11	11	4
17	Laura Ekas	0	0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	7	0	2	2	2
7	Beth Rappold	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	5	0	3	1	1
4	Nancy Kim	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Goalkeeping

No.	Player	Games	Goals	Saves	Save %	G.A.A.	MIN	GB	Clears	Blk/Int
0	Sara Love	4	7	13	.650	3.56	118	0	5	2
12	Kelly Hoffman	2	2	1	.333	5.22	23	0	3	0
73	Anita Patibandla	15	107	146	.579	7.84	819	26	86	21
Total		16	116	161	.581	7.25	960	26	94	23





# Talking with Tucker: Coach excited about "historic" season in Hopkins women's lacrosse



DOUG HOUSMAN/NEWS-LETTER STAFF

**Coach Tucker shouts encouragement to her Lady Jays.**

**N**ews-Letter: This being your last year in division III, what are your immediate and long term goals for the 1998 season?

**Janine Tucker:** To win the Centennial Conference with an undefeated record, and play in the national championship game.

**N-L:** What would you say are the strengths of this year's team?

**JT:** We have a very balanced attack. We have a number of players that are offensive threats. We are also the fastest we've been in quite a while.

**N-L:** And what are the weaknesses?

**JT:** I don't like that question. (Laughs.) I would say our biggest weakness is that we will have a number of younger, inexperienced players who we will count on to fill key roles. A lot of freshmen will be seeing significant time because we rotate two midfield lines and defensive lines similar to the men's style of play. Many younger players will get significant time and it's sink or swim.

**N-L:** Which freshmen will play major roles immediately?

**JT:** Jessica Popham will fill our center position, and Candice Smith will also see significant time in the midfield.

**N-L:** Besides Hopkins, who is sure to be the front runner at this point, who are the teams to beat in the Centennial Conference?

**JT:** Ursinus; Gettysburg, although they lost eight starters and two key seniors are not currently on the roster; Western Maryland, which was the worst game of my life when we escaped by only one goal last year; and Swarthmore

are the four teams we really need to be aware of.

**N-L:** You suffered a disappointing loss to Middlebury in the national semifinals last year. They come into the season ranked number one in the nation. What went wrong last year and if you were to face Middlebury again this year what would you change?

**JT:** They were a better team than we were last year. They were a faster, stronger team. We got a little rattled and they didn't. They were the best team in Division III women's lacrosse, no doubt. I think with the returners we have, the addition of the restraining line and the fact that this is the best preseason start we've had in five years, hopefully if we were to face them again it would be a better game.

**N-L:** Besides #1 Middlebury, who are the most dangerous teams in the country?

**JT:** No matter who is #1, I will always include College of New Jersey and William Smith in that category. They are all well coached, highly skilled lacrosse teams with good tournament experience. All three are tough, tough teams.

**N-L:** As you prepare for the move up to Division I next year, how would you characterize the state of women's college lacrosse in the United States as well as here at Hopkins?

**JT:** Women's lacrosse is booming in this country. The parity that this rapid growth will create will allow many teams to be very successful. It is a neat time to be moving up to Division I. The Hopkins name and lacrosse tradition at this school will help to establish us at the next level, but

**coach**

**MATT MILLS**

Hopkins women's lacrosse is all about building our own tradition at the Division I level.

**N-L:** What adjustments have you made this year to ease the transition to Division I?

**JT:** We've always tried to run this program like a Division I program within our limits. We have hired (assistant coach) Ricky Fried full-time, so that we can have two people to concentrate on the women's lacrosse program. We've also added four Divi-

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*We have a number of players that are offensive threats."*

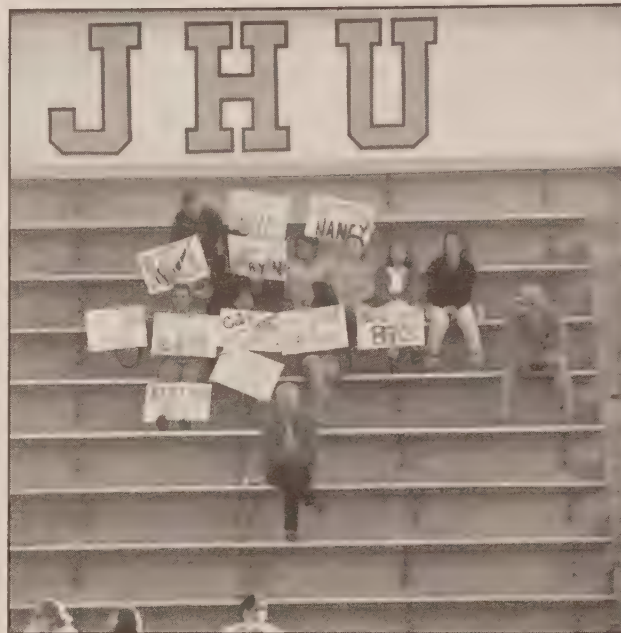
**—COACH TUCKER**

sion I opponents (UMBC, North Carolina, Mount St. Mary's, and St. Joseph's) to our schedule, hoping to ease the transition and see how we do. We played two Division I teams last year so we could kind of get our feet wet. Also, Ricky Fried has been instrumental in upgrading and fine-tuning the academic support system for athletes.

The biggest dent I've been able to see is in recruiting. With two people focusing on one program, we can find good recruits, get them on campus and close the deal far easier than we have been able to in the past. We have seven kids coming in early decision this year, which has never happened before. Hopefully, we will have the opportunity to jump in and compete quickly rather than having to wallow around for a couple of years. The move has really put us in a good position to recruit.

**N-L:** What are your biggest concerns about the move to Division I?

**JT:** Actually, I'm quite optimistic about it. I guess my biggest concern is not the expectations of the administration or the department, but the expectations we put on ourselves. I am afraid that we have set ourselves up to be disap-



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**Coach Tucker hopes for more fan support this year.**

pointed. I just want to stop talking about it and get there, but we have a lot to finish this season before we get to next year, especially for the seniors.

**N-L:** Any final thoughts?

**JT:** I would love to have people

come out and watch the team play. We have a lot of talented, exciting, hard-working lacrosse players. This is a historic year, our last year of Division III women's lacrosse, and it would be nice if the campus and community would show some support for this team.



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**Tucker is prepping the women's lacrosse program for the transition to Division I.**



# The captains' perspective: Patibandla and Dancz expect great things in 1998

As the 1998 Lacrosse season looms ahead, the Women's Lacrosse team prepares for one of its most challenging seasons with an extremely talented and solid group of players.

As coach Janine Tucker says, "We are really excited about this season. I couldn't be happier with the type of leadership that the captains, Anita and Cathy, bring to the team. Not only are they great leaders, but they are also great role models."

These two leaders, goalkeeper Anita Patibandla and attacker/midfielder Cathy Dancz exhibit the talent as well as the qualities necessary to lead the team to a championship season.

Patibandla, a 4 year starter and a 2nd team Brine/IWLCA All-American (97), dominates the goal as one of the greatest keepers in Hopkins' history with 477 career saves. She is noted for her vocal leadership on the field and her ability to make crucial decisions.

Dancz will be the offensive leader on the field with her speed,

tenacity, and game know-how. She is a multifaceted player who inspires and unites her teammates.

Last season, Dancz collected 31 groundballs, scored 8 goals, and had 7 assists. The captains recently shared their outlook on the season and discussed the rule changes that will be implemented this year.

## Team outlook

**Cathy Dancz:** "In general, this season, we have the potential to be the strongest team that Hopkins has had. We have the talent, intensity, and the work ethic that will allow us to dominate the division."

**Anita Patibandla:** "We are very focused. Our goal is to dominate the Centennial Conference—we are 39-1 in the conference. We hope to go undefeated, winning every game decisively. I think we will play up to the challenge of our schedule. We will be playing difficult teams all season, so that the tournament won't be a

## captains

MEGAN BENNER

surprise.

"Also, this season will be unlike any other season in women's lacrosse history. We have a wide spread of talent, not just a few standouts, there are literally so many stars. I encourage people to come out and see the games, especially because the rule changes and caliber of this team will make the games more exciting."

## The offense

**CD:** "We have a lot of offensive threats—a lot of returning talent on the attack. Some players to look for are Danielle Maschuci (so.), Neda Dawood (jr.), Nancy Kim (jr.) and Jessica Popham (fr.). Overall, we will be able to play a more structured and experienced game offensively."

**AP:** "Our offense looks really great. We have a lot of new talent and a lot of returners. In midfield, Ramsey Neale (jr.) and Janice Yoo (sr.) will cover the field with their strong play (offensively and defensively). Also, Kate Bradbury (jr.) and Kate Heritage (so.) will add to the attack."

## The defense

**CD:** "We have a one of the top goalies in the nation to back up a solid defense."

"Anita is a fantastic goalie. She has a great sense of the game and is an excellent leader on the field. Also, with the new restraining line (which permits only 7 players from each team in the offensive end), our defense will be forced to work as a team and communicate."

**AP:** "Defensively, we will have a new lineup. Our defense is pretty strong. We are trying for a lot of teamwork in passing and quickness. With Mimi Sokolowski (jr.) and Maria Fontoura (sr.) anchoring the defense, we will be able to work in some new strategies and play zone defense (man-to-man)."

## The restraining line

**CD:** "The restraining line allows us to have a specific settled offense. It prevents a team's defense from overloading and blocking the goal. It will be much



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**Senior co-captain Cathy Dancz rockets one to the goal.**

fairer and we will have more opportunity to play our game."

"This new rule really caters to what we have in place already. It enables cleaner, faster play and a strong transition play. We will be able to control the tempo of the game."

**AP:** "The new line will prevent all eleven players from crowding in one end of the field. There will be a lot of movement. Before, if there was a turnover, it was a matter of speed and endurance. Now, it is a game of talent and strategy. This fits the type of play we excel in. We have been implementing the rule in practice already and we feel that it can only help us."

## The transition to Division I

**CD:** "It is definitely a big deal that this is our last season in Division III."

"We have proven that we are a strong team."

"Now, we have to prove that we are the best. We have played prominent Division I teams and this has shown us that we can measure up to them and that we will be coming in, not at the bottom, but in a competitive position."

"I think we have earned the right, and, especially as a senior, we'd like to make a final state-

ment."

**AP:** "It is not such a drastic jump. We are not reaching; Division I is really quite close. It is more like a small step up. We want to make this last season count. This is our team motto. It is our last season as DIII and we want to do everything that we can at this level."

"And, as a team, we have a slogan of 'no regrets'."

"We want to do our best and not let anything faze us. One of the most incredible things about this team is that everyone has this desire—to accomplish our goals and to have no regrets."

"I am really excited that it is my last season. Over the past four years, there's been a lot of growth. I've watched, as we've improved, the changing and rising intensity. I would like to go to this level with the other girls, but I am proud to end it on a good note with this group of people."

*We have the potential to be the strongest team that Hopkins has had.*

—CATHY DANCZ



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**Senior co-captain Anita Patibandla is one of the top goalies in the conference.**



# Six pairs of fresh legs to lead Jays to DI

**A**s the 1998 Johns Hopkins University Women's Lacrosse Team says goodbye to Division III competition, it welcomes six promising freshmen who hope to form a nucleus that will make next year's move to the Division I level a smooth transition.

An excited Head Coach Janine Tucker holds high hopes for the team as a whole and has great expectations for these six rookies in particular. Each of them "has tremendous potential, and we're excited to see how each of them can develop as players in our system."

On offense, the Lady Jays welcome three newcomers who look to make an immediate impact. Lisa Ternes earned All-State honors in both field hockey and lacrosse as a high school athlete.

Coach Tucker describes her as "a very gritty player with an amazing work ethic." Yet it may take some time for her to assimilate to the college game and the Hopkins style of play. Nevertheless, Tucker remains excited about Ternes' "great potential" and believes that she will contribute as a freshman.

Lauren Carney is another

## freshmen DOMINIC TUASON

freshman who will need some time to adjust to the college game. A field hockey star in high school and at Hopkins, Carney will add depth to the offensive attack. Her productivity will increase as she gains a better grasp of the offensive system.

According to Tucker, "Lauren was a very pleasant surprise. She showed up at preseason tryouts and was very impressive."

Jessica Popham hopes to complement Ternes and Carney with her great passing skills. A two-sport athlete in high school, Popham's speed will be an asset to the JHU offense.

Tucker describes her as "the fastest incoming freshman. She has incredible skills and will be a great offensive threat who I believe will contribute immediately."

On the defensive side, Hopkins has three more exciting additions.

Candice Smith is an excellent athlete who will challenge for a starting role on low defense. The tough, physical Smith is "a strong

player who will fit in very well into the defensive system," according to Tucker. Her quickness and speed will be valuable to the transition game, and her athleticism will enable her to make a strong, immediate impact as a freshman.

Another speedy player who hopes to contribute to the transition game is Amy Bruschi. Like Carney, Bruschi plays for JHU's field hockey team, and she hopes to use her explosiveness and her one-on-one defensive skills to add depth to the midfield-defense.

Tucker believes that Bruschi is "a very fast player with a lot of confidence. She has a lot of potential, and we're excited to see how she develops."

Despite missing the preseason with an injury, Kimberly DiConza looks to contribute as a midfield defender in her first season. A four-sport athlete in high school, DiConza is "a player with a wonderful amount of potential," according to Tucker. "She's another one whose speed will be an asset to our transition game." An elusive player with good stickwork, DiConza could see significant minutes in spite of the time she missed in the fall.

With this infusion of new tal-



FILE PHOTO

**Sophomore Danielle Masuchi runs away from the pack.**

ent, the Lady Jays are primed to defend their Centennial Conference crown and hope to advance deeper into the NCAA tournament, perhaps even win a national title.

Indeed, Coach Tucker's out-

look is optimistic: "We're really excited about leaving our impression on Division III Women's Lacrosse. We're off to our best preseason start in five years and we hope to build on that as we begin the regular season."

## Team expects perfection in 1998 season

**T**he focus of the 1998 Women's Lacrosse Team this upcoming season is perfection. With an overall record of 39-1 in the Centennial Conference and three Final Four appearances in the past four years, we have proven our competence.

According to our coaches' philosophy, however, we must "expect perfection" in order to reach the next level of success: the Division III National Championship.

Our team has agreed that during this, our final year as a Division III competitor, nothing less than perfection is acceptable for the players or the coaches.

Coaches Janine Tucker, Ricky Fried, Sally Stillwell and Megan Callahan have developed an innovative program that has baffled competitors in our conference, bringing Hopkins to domination.

Winning decisively with an "all or nothing" attitude has been a fundamental goal of our program, and this year is no exception.

Coach Tucker has disciplined the team such that our work ethic, attitudes and overall play have elevated to a higher level in preparation for our finest year in Division III, as well as the upcoming transition to the Division I level

## off the bench NANCY KIM

in 1999.

This pre-season and fall ball, senior co-captains Anita Patibandla and Cathy Dancz, have stepped up to solidify the most unified team of which I have personally ever been a part of.

*Our team has agreed... that nothing less than perfection is acceptable.*

Their efforts during the off-season in establishing opportunities for team members to lift weights, play and condition together has created an early chemistry throughout the team.

Hopkins lost only three players to graduation, leaving a well-endowed team with sufficient room for incoming talent. The

six freshmen who have joined this year's team have already learned the philosophies and strategies of our program. Their athleticism, along with the experience of the returning players will make an already-solid team stronger.

The players and the coaches are not the only ones who recognize the potential threat that this particular group of players poses.

Hopkins was recently ranked fourth in the nation according to Lacrosse Magazine, in the company of such Division III powerhouses as Middlebury College and the College of New Jersey.

Our confidence and talent will carry us through a successful season that begins with a trip to Williamsburg, Virginia, on March 7 and 8 for the William and Mary Tournament, where we will compete primarily against



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**Sophomore Kate Heritage aims for the back of the net.**

Division I teams.

The following week, on March 12, our season officially begins against the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a Division I Final Four contender last year. Although this may be a challenging way to begin any season,

the coaches have always believed in our talents and perseverance.

I am a junior attack player who will be bringing you the overall feelings, expectations and accomplishments as well as my personal insights on the women's lacrosse team throughout the 1998 season.



# Women add four D-I foes to prepare for '99

## NORTH CAROLINA

**away**  
**thursday,**  
**march 12**  
**1:00 p.m.**

location/chapel hill, nc  
nickname/tarheels  
home field/navy field  
colors/carolina blue and white  
conference/atlantic coast  
head coach/jenny slingluff  
preseason rank/3 (D-I)  
1997 record/14-4

The Lady Jays will be tested right away as they open up their season against the Division I tarheels. Despite the fact that women's lacrosse is only in its third year as a varsity sport at North Carolina, the Tarheels made it to the final four last year only to be disappointed by #2 Loyola.

The Lady Tarheels boast four preseason all-Americans and will look to put it to the Jays early. Their attack is led by juniors Erin McGinnis and Lori Pasquantonio. Second team All-American Sarah Dacey will lead the midfield and first team All-American Brooke Crawford leads the defense.

The Jays will look to avenge the 14-3 drubbing they took from the 'Heels last year, but they will have their work cut out for them.

## MOUNT ST. MARY'S

**away**  
**wed.,**  
**march 18**  
**4:00 p.m.**

location/emmitsburg, md  
nickname/mountaineers  
home field/mount st. mary's  
lacrosse field  
colors/blue and white  
conference/northeast (D-I)  
head coach/janet anderson  
1997 record/7-7

The Lady Jays will travel to Emmitsburg to face the Mounts in another Division I contest. The Lady Jays beat Mount St. Mary's last year by an impressive count of 15-8.

The Lady Jays' defense will be tested by attacker Jen Stocker, the leading scorer in the country last season. The Mounts also boast a formidable defensive unit led by Kelly Shearer. This is a game Hopkins should win, but beware, the Mounts can be dangerous if taken lightly.

## MUHLENBERG

**away**  
**saturday,**  
**march 21**  
**1:00 p.m.**

location/allentown, pa  
nickname/mules  
home field/varsity field  
colors/cardinal and grey  
conference/centennial  
head coach/laurie kerr  
1997 record/7-7, 4-6 CC

The Lady Jays open their conference schedule in Allentown looking to pick up where they left off last season. The Mules seem to be coming into their own as a lacrosse program, recording seven wins in 1997.

Muhlenberg returns their leading scorer and second team All-Conference attacker Katie Kenny. The midfield

features the Mules' best player, preseason All-American Mandy Sciarra. Seasoned senior Becky Dunbrack will have to stiffen up the defense if the Mules hope to avenge their 20-1 embarrassment at their hands of the Jays last year.

## GETTYSBURG

**home**  
**tuesday,**  
**march 24**  
**4:00 p.m.**

location/gettysburg, pa  
nickname/bullets  
home field/memorial field  
colors/orange and blue  
conference/centennial  
head coach/carol daly  
1997 record/12-5, 9-7 CC

The Gettysburg Bullets look like a team that could give Hopkins a run for their money in the Centennial Conference race. This game could be a serious test for the Lady Jays, as the Bullets bring three preseason all-Americans to Homewood field for the home opener.

First team All-American Kim Fritz and preseason favorite for Centennial Conference Player of the Year leads the attack but her linemate Leslie Marotz is equally as dangerous.

The defense features second team All-American Kris Sullivan, however the Bullets will have a newcomer tending goal as they lost all-Centennial Conference goalkeeper Carolyn Holmes to graduation.

## SWARTHMORE

**home**  
**tuesday,**  
**march 31**  
**3:30 p.m.**

location/swarthmore, pa  
nickname/garnet  
home field/cunningham field  
colors/garnet, grey and white  
conference/centennial  
head coach/karen borbee  
1997 record/7-7, 4-6 CC

Although they finished third in the conference last year, 1998 will be a test for the Garnets. They lost three talented defenders, Laurie Starita, Kelly Wilcox and Samantha Peltz, to graduation. They will fill their absences with three seasoned but inexperienced veterans in seniors Katherine Wu and Betsy Rosenbaum and junior Sarah Singleton.

Their most talented returnee from last year's 11-6 squad is honorable mention All-America attacker, junior Holly Baker. Swarthmore is an improving program who moved from 5-5 two years ago to a respectable 7-3 third-place finish a year ago.

## COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

**away**  
**thursday,**  
**april 2**  
**6:00 p.m.**

location/ewing, nj  
nickname/lions  
home field/lions stadium  
colors/blue and gold  
conference/independent  
head coach/jennifer hart  
1997 record/14-1  
preseason rank/2

## opponents

**MATT MILLS**

Last season, the women from TCNJ marched into Homewood field and handed the Lady Jays a 15-4 loss in what was deemed the biggest disappointment of last season besides the semifinal loss to Middlebury.

In perhaps the biggest game of this regular season, the Lady Jays will try to avenge last year's loss on the road against the #2 Lions.

The Lions' attack is led by the junior duo of Megan Tropp and Fran Constantine. The defense is anchored by second team All-American Jennifer Maholland.

This game should prove to be the measuring stick for the Lady Jays' championship hopes.

## BRYN MAWR

**home**  
**saturday,**  
**april 4**  
**1:00 p.m.**

location/bryn mawr, pa  
nickname/mawrters  
home field/applebee field  
colors/yellow and white  
conference/centennial  
head coach/kate miller  
1997 record/4-14, 1-9 CC

The Lady Jays return to Homewood to face the Mawrters who they crushed 20-2 in 1997. Bryn Mawr will look to improve on a disappointing season last year, finishing 1-9 in the Centennial Conference and 4-14 overall.

The Mawrters return second team all-Centennial Conference attacker Laura Costello. Costello will be joined on the attack by sophomore Kana Takahashi who looks to have a breakout season in 1998. Defensively, the Mawrters are led by senior Kiera Strom-Herman.

The Lady Jays will need to guard against a letdown against the Mawrters after only two days rest following the game of the year versus New Jersey.

## DICKINSON

**away**  
**wed.,**  
**april 8**  
**4:00 p.m.**

location/carlisle, pa  
nickname/red devils  
home field/dickinson park  
colors/red and white  
conference/centennial  
head coach/kelly hart  
1997 record/4-10, 1-9 CC

The Lady Jays complete their last-last swing with a trip to Carlisle to meet the 1997 last place Red Devils.

The Devils had a disappointing season last year after finishing fourth in the conference in 1996.

Dickinson is led by its experienced defense comprised of juniors Beth Wingerd, Jen Potter and all-conference selection Eliza Morris. The offense is led by senior Carrie Norris.

The 1998 Red Devils are an experienced bunch who could surprise some others in the conference, but will have to play a near flawless game if they hope to beat the formidable Lady Jays.



## URSINUS

**home**  
**saturday,**  
**april 11**  
**11:00 a.m.**

location/collegeville, pa  
nickname/bears  
home field/ursinus field  
colors/red, gold & black  
conference/centennial  
head coach/vonnie gros  
1997 record/11-7, 7-3CC

Hopkins must be careful not to take Ursinus too lightly after the relatively easy games that precede this matchup. The Bears have one of the top players in the conference and the nation in senior attacker Missy Myers. Myers had 38 goals a year ago and looks to improve on that mark this year. She is supported on the attack line by fellow senior Kris Algeo, which makes Ursinus one of the most dangerous offensive teams in the conference.

Ursinus' weakness will be their defense, where the Bears will miss second team all-conference selection Colleen Sabol. Senior goalkeeper Patty McGinty will be expected to pick up the slack. Ursinus was the last team to beat the Lady Jays in conference play and they would love to be the next.



FILE PHOTO

*Laura Ekas and Cathy Dancz step up to the draw.*

## UMBC

**away**  
**wed.,**  
**april 15**  
**7:00 p.m.**

location/baltimore, md  
nickname/retrievers  
home field/umbc stadium  
colors/black, gold & red  
conference/northeast  
head coach/monica diCandilo  
1997 record/5-9

The Lady Jays hit prime time for an intra-city battle in their third Division I contest of the year. The Retrievers were 5-9 a year ago and are playing their first year in the Northeast Conference with fellow Hopkins opponent Mount St Mary's.

UMBC is a young team led by a dynamic duo of sophomores Jen Kuehn and Jessaka Phoebus in attack. Youth also pervades the defense as it is led by another sophomore, Simone Stallings.

## HAVERFORD

**away**  
**saturday,**  
**april 18**  
**11:00 a.m.**

location/haverford, pa  
nickname/fords  
home field/class of '88 field  
colors/scarlet & black  
conference/centennial  
head coach/catherine mccrory  
1997 record/8-9, 4-6 cc

The Fords finished one game below .500 last year and stuck in the middle of the pack in the conference for most of last year. A dangerous offensive squad, Haverford returns junior attacker Liz Ames who led the Conference in scoring a year ago with 50 goals and 21 assists. Ames is joined on the front line by fellow junior Courtney Nolan who led the team in scoring her freshman year. Defensively, look for junior Katie Mogielnicki to open some eyes in 1998, as she has had two strong seasons and continues to improve.

## WESTERN MARYLAND

**home**  
**tuesday,**  
**april 21**  
**4:00 p.m.**

location/westminster, md  
nickname/green terror  
home field/wmc field  
colors/green & gold  
conference/centennial  
head coach/kim easterday  
1997 record/110-4, 6-4 cc

The Terror certainly struck fear into the heart of the Jays last year. Hopkins barely escaped with a win last year in Westminster in what coach Janine Tucker called "the worst game of my life."

Western Maryland is definitely an up and coming program with lots of young talent. The defense is led by seasoned senior Amanda Rose in the goal. Junior defenders and high school classmates Amy North and Natalie Hannibal along with Rose were All-Conference honorable mention in 1997.

The attack features promising sophomore Meghan Bellucci, who received all-conference accolades as a freshman. Western Maryland will definitely surprise some team this year and will surely move up in the ranks of the Centennial Conference.

## FRANKLIN & MARSHALL

**away**  
**thursday,**  
**april 23**  
**4:00 p.m.**

location/lanaster, pa  
nickname/diplomats  
home field/baker campus  
colors/blue & white  
conference/centennial  
head coach/kara tierney  
1997 record/5-9, 4-6 cc

If the Diplomats finished a disappointing 5-9 last year, it was not for a lack of talent. Senior attacker and honorable mention preseason All-America Kara Silberg will lead the Diplomats on offense along with sophomores Sarah Reigner and Kasey Ryan.

Second team all-conference defender Mandy Roach will anchor the defense in front of junior goalkeeper Katie Counselman.

## WASHINGTON COLLEGE

**home**  
**saturday,**  
**april 25**  
**11:00 a.m.**

location/chestertown, md  
nickname/shorewomen  
home field/shriver field  
colors/maroon & black  
conference/centennial  
head coach/sarah fyerherm  
1997 record/5-12, 2-8 cc

Washington hopes to improve on a 2-8 conference mark this season. The offense is led by sophomore Maggy Kilroy who received all-conference honors last season as a freshman. Junior Katie Warwick's great potential has yet to be fully realized. Sophomore Sarah Moore also shows promise in goal.

Washington has some great young talent and will surely keep improving, but is still probably a couple of years away from developing a solid program.

## ST. JOSEPH'S

**home**  
**tuesday,**  
**april 28**  
**7:00 p.m.**

location/philadelphia, pa  
nickname/hawks  
home field/finnesey field  
colors/crimson & grey  
conference/atlantic 10  
head coach/denise liggett  
1997 record/8-6

The Lady Jays close out their season with a matchup at Homewood against their fourth Division I opponent. The Hawks finished an unimpressive 8-6 last year, but are nonetheless dangerous.

Senior attacker Shannon Feite was the seventh leading scorer in the country last year, and she is joined by two other experienced and talented seniors on the front line in Carolyn Wood and Margot Gant.

The defense is led by senior Kelly Hilferty, who is joined by two promising sophomores in Nora Meah and Barb Constantine, who hope to have breakout years.

Although, this contest has little bearing on the season, it is an important one for the Lady Jays to build momentum into the playoffs.





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APRIL 11 **MARYL**  
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APRIL 22 **HOFSTR**  
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## WOMEN'S LACROSSE

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YSON	2:00
YOYOLA	4:00

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# Defense suspect in 1998

With 42 national championships and an all-time record of 756-242-15, the Johns Hopkins Men's Lacrosse team is consistently ranked among the top teams in the country. Week-in and week-out, opponents get up to play Hopkins in hopes of knocking off one of the top programs in the history of the game. However, this year it looks more like the Jays will sneak up on a lot of teams.

The preseason favorite to win it again is back-to-back defending National Champion Princeton, who returns one of the best attack units to ever play. Here at Homewood, however, the goal of the 1998 season, as it has been and will always be, is to win a national championship.

Head coach Tony Seaman believes the key to this year's success lies in the midfield. This year's midfield group is one of the best Seaman has seen at Hopkins. However, he realizes that an inexperienced defensive unit could cause some problems early on as the group learns to play together in front of a second-year starter in the net, Brian Carcaterra. Coach Seaman's headaches start early in March as Hopkins faces the top three teams in the nation—Princeton, Syracuse and Virginia—in a four-week span. With a rough start to the schedule, look for Hopkins to gain momentum down the stretch as the team gains maturity and experience. Once again, this year's schedule is the toughest in the country, so once May roles around Hopkins should be ready to contend for the national title.

There are no surprises in May. "We will face everybody in the regular season like Princeton and Maryland who we will see in the playoffs," said Seaman.

## Attack

This year's attack is an underrated group of big men led by last year's leading scorer Senior Dudley Dixon. During the off-season Dixon blew out his knee but has worked hard to get in shape for the start of the season. Dixon is the leader of this group and Hopkins' success this year depends in large part on his ability to come back and be as productive as last year.

Behind Dixon there are six players fighting for a spot on the starting unit. Dylan Schlott, Dave Marks and Jason Moolenaar look like the front runners.

All three players are in the mid six-foot range and should give opposing defenders problems. One thing is for sure, Hopkins will not be banged around on the offensive end this year.

Schlott is a very smart player who may be Hopkins' best off-ball attackman, while Moolenaar has a tremendous shot and could develop into the legitimate scoring threat Hopkins needs to take the pressure off Dixon. Schlott played on the extra-man offense a year ago and scored eight goals on just 17 shots. He had a tremendous fall, which helps his chances at a starting job this year. If Moolenaar can avoid the injury bug which has plagued him throughout his career, he and Dixon could light it up this year. Marks, predominantly a feeder since his debut at Hopkins, returns for his second season after

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### LEON MARATCHI

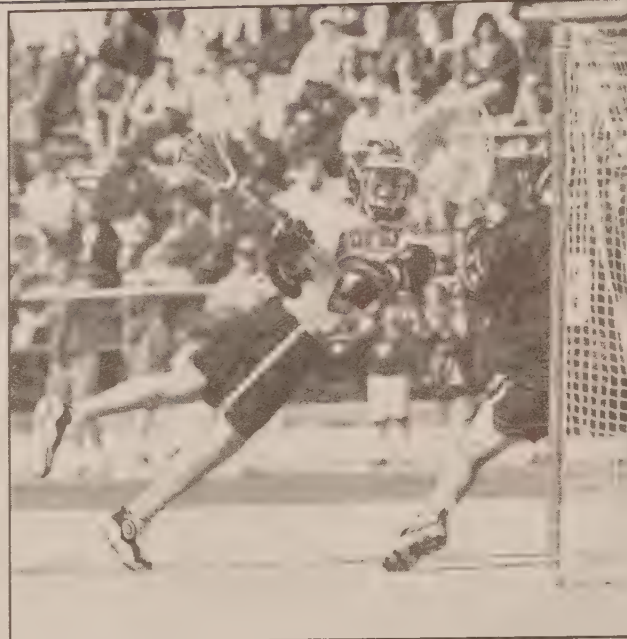
serving two years at Villanova. Marks scored eight goals and added four assists in 13 games.

## Midfield

In the middle of the field, Hopkins boasts one of the best first lines in the country and a depth that few teams will be able to match. With a tremendous midfield, look for Hopkins to open up the middle and play an end-to-end game. In years past, Hopkins played a set offense and controlled the tempo; this season Seaman might let the horses run to victory. Without a doubt this new philosophy will make for an exciting year.

Leading the way on the first line is sophomore sensation A.J. Haugen. Touted as one of the best players to come out of high school two years ago, Haugen had a hard time adjusting to the college level. With a year under his belt, Haugen could exceed expectations this year. A legitimate scoring threat and perhaps Hopkins' top all-around player, Haugen will be looked upon to take his game to the next level and become a leader on the field. His continued development will be a key to the success of the Blue Jays in 1998.

Joining Haugen on the first line will be Andrew Godfrey and Matt O'Kelly. Godfrey posted a career-high 22 goals last season. An all-around athlete with good speed, he led the team in ground balls last season. O'Kelly came on strong at the end of last season



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## A high-powered offense needs to carry Jays early on.

and needs to pick up where he left off if Hopkins hopes to get through their toughest stretch of the year.

On the second line, which could rival many of the first lines Hopkins will face this year, will be A.T. Bailey, who will be Hopkins' top face-off man, and sophomores Dave Rabuano and Justin Shaberly. Shaberly and Rabuano ran together last year on an all freshman line that included Marc Digiovanni. Both need to up their offensive output after combining for five goals and one assist.

At the long stick midfield position is one of Hopkins' grittiest players, senior Kevin Kaiser. With a nose for ground balls and putting his body on the line, Kaiser will need to have a stellar year to balance out an inexperienced defensive unit.

## Defense

Under the direction of new coach Brian Voelker, this year's defense will have a new look. Gone are Brian Kuczma, John Gagliardi and Aaron Van Horn who anchored a unit which helped post a team goals-against average of 9.03. Kuczma and Gagliardi both earned First Team All-America honors with Kuczma also being the recipient of the William C. Schmeisser Award as the nation's outstanding defenseman. Leading this year's unit will be juniors Rob Doerr and John Pagleologos. Doerr is the most experienced defender on the team after appearing in all 14 games last season as a long-stick. As Hopkins' top returning defender, he will match up against many of the best attackmen in the nation throughout the season.

Pagleologos, one of Hopkins' most intimidating players at 6'5" and 230 pounds, is a great off-ball defender. Pagleologos, one of Hopkins' most promising young

defenders last year, went down in the second game of the season with a serious leg injury. With a year of rehab under his belt, Pagleologos should be in top form for the start of the season against Princeton's attack.

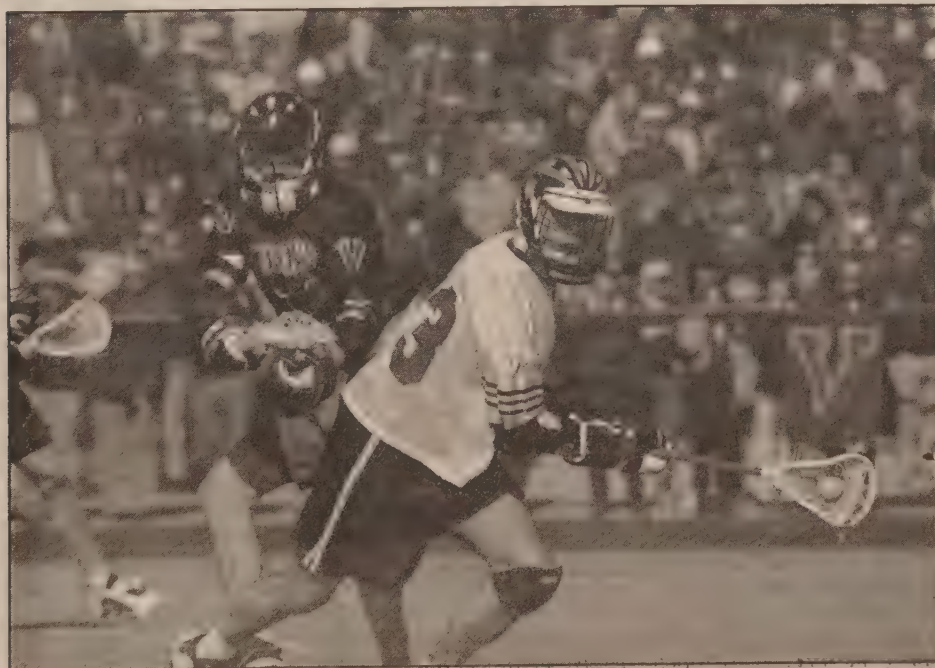
Vying for the final position on the defense will be freshmen Brandon Testa and Brendan Shook. Regardless of which of the two starts, the future appears bright with both expected to gain valuable experience early in their careers.

## Goal

Behind the defense will be sophomore goalie, Brian Carcaterra. Very active in and around the crease, Carcaterra will need to tone down his game and go back to basics behind an inexperienced unit. He had the luxury of starting his career in front of one of the nation's top defensive units. This year, he will be tested early and often, and must come up big in the important games to earn a spot among Hopkins' all-time best. However, more importantly, Carcaterra needs to be consistent throughout the year if Hopkins' dream of a title run are going to come true.

After working hard in the preseason, Hopkins is poised for another title run in 1998. No doubt this year will be a learning experience on the defensive end, but hopefully early battles against first-ranked Princeton and perennial powers Syracuse and Virginia will prepare this team for the wars in May.

By the time each game begins to count, Hopkins should be ready to surprise a lot of teams who underestimated the potential on this year's squad. All in all, 1998 will have a tough start and a golden ending as the Blue Jays gain experience throughout the year against the toughest competition in the nation.



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Coming off a knee injury, Senior Dudley Dixon needs to be in top form to help Jays.



# Quarterfinal heartbreak ends 1997 season

*Blue Devils snapped Jays' eight game win streak in first round of NCAA tournament*

It was a season that was meant to finish with a championship ring. The defense started three seniors, the attack was exceptionally skilled and the defense was as good as anyone in the country. There were a bunch of devils—Blue Devils to be exact—who felt otherwise.

The beginning of the 1997 season was not as impressive as the Blue Jays wanted. With an inexperienced goalie, there were early question marks surrounding the state of the JHU program. But riding an eight game win streak going into the playoffs it looked like 1997 might be the year of the Blue Jay.

Prior to the season, coach Tony Seaman had expressed his confidence in goalie Brian Carcaterra, and he did not disappoint. The Jays played their thousandth game in the program's illustrious history to open the season, playing defending National Champion Princeton. The Jays were energized, wanting to prove that they belonged in the upper echelons of the lacrosse community.

Dudley Dixon and Billy Evans proved how strong the Jays could be up front, scoring three and two goals respectively. The game proved to be a defensive struggle, however, with Carcaterra asserting himself and making 16 saves. Unfortunately, the Jays fell short losing 7-6.

After the heartbreaker at

Princeton, the Blue Jays made their home debut and crushed Division III runner-up Washington 16-4. The Blue Jays were now 1-1 and they faced Rutgers three days later at Homewood Field. The results were the same, as Hopkins, led by Dixon's five goals and Andrew Godfrey's four, embarrassed Rutgers 22-8.

With a 2-1 record and the number two ranking in the nation, the Jays entered the toughest part of their schedule as they traveled to the Carrier Dome to play the Syracuse Orangemen. This was a bitter battle for the Jays, and another thriller where they came up short.

At the half the Jays and Orangemen were tied at five but Syracuse exploded in the second half for seven goals in the third quarter. That fact didn't tell the whole story for this game because Hopkins dominated in every statistical category. Unfortunately poor shooting let the Jays down and they came up short, losing 14-13.

The Jays were struggling, and at .500 when they played Virginia, right before the Hopkins faithful returned from Spring Break. For the Jays, the party was somewhere else as the Cavaliers used an explosion of goals in the second half to topple the fourth-seeded Jays 16-12.

The game wasn't as lop-sided as the score indicates with the Jays leading at the half 8-4. Af-

## review

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ter that, fatigue set in and the Jays were stifled by the Virginia defense and being held scoreless for 19:15.

The first of two judgment days in the season came on March 29th, 1997 at Fetzer Field in North Carolina. The Jays were ranked a season low number 8 ranking.

This was a breakout game for the Jays who sported a new attack lineup that fostered a more aggressive, open style. This game featured a balanced attack with five players scoring two goals and ten Jays scored goals. They improved to 4-3 and maintained their number 8 ranking.

In game 7, Villanova came to Homewood Field for the first ever meeting between the two programs. Dixon shined above the competition for the Jays totaling seven points, 3 goals and 4 assists. Dan Denihan added four goals as the Jays for the most part coasted to a 17-9 victory over Randy Marks (Dave Marks' father) and the Wildcats.

April 5th came around for the Jays as they entertained an inferior Army team. They were riding a two game winning streak and maintained their number 8 rank in the nation.

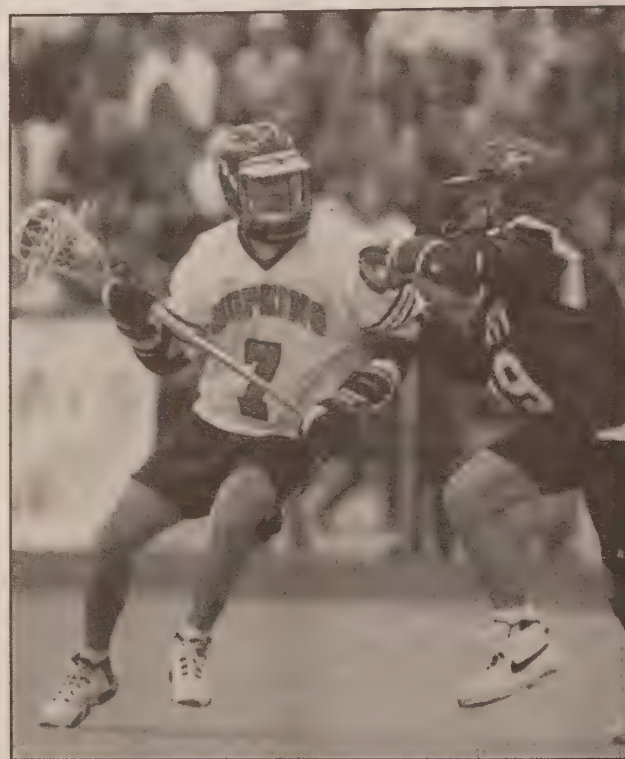
This game against Army was a coming out of sorts for junior attackmen Dylan Schlott. He scored a season high four goals, half of his season total. Dixon continued to shine as he also added four goals as the Jays routed the Cadets 23-5.

One week later at the famed Byrd Stadium in College Park, the Jays braced for a tough battle with the number four Maryland Terrapins.

Carcaterra continued his steady play totaling 17 saves and Evans and Dixon proved to be unstoppable once again as they combined for 9 points on six goals and three assists. After trouncing the Midshipmen of Navy one week later, the Blue Jays took their attack north to the home of many of their star players, Long Island to play Hofstra.

The Jays were ranked fourth in the nation after a four week hiatus and survived a tough battle with Hofstra. Dixon and Evans once again led the team in scoring with 9 points between them.

But, it was local products (all from Manhasset) Godfrey, Denihan and Matt O'Kelly who added the three goals which



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**Middie Dan Galvagno pushes the ball up against Navy.**

proved to be the difference as the Blue Jays escaped with a win and a 8-3 record.

By the time that April 26th came around, the Jays had two more games before tournament time and but they still hadn't silenced many of the critics who didn't understand their sluggish start and lackluster performance against Hofstra.

Next up for the Jays was Towson State (now Towson University). Dixon showed up his former team scoring three goals and two assists. Denihan added four assists and three goals leading the Jays to a sloppy 16-14 win over Towson.

The last game of the regular season featured a Charles Street Series between Johns Hopkins and Loyola. Dixon continued his dominance over opposing defenses and goalies tallying five goals and leading the Jays to a 14-12 victory and a first round bye in the NCAA's.

Yes, it was tournament time once again and this year the Jays were 10-3 and ranked fourth in the nation. They had answered many of the questions that plagued them in the preseason. Carcaterra proved to be the real deal between the pipes.

The trio of Van Horn, Defenseman of the Year Kuczma and stand out Gagliardi stifled opposing offenses and acted as the catalyst for an explosive offensive attack that featured two

elite face-off artists in Werner Kruger and A.T. Bailey.

They showed that they had more firepower on the offensive end than many nations with the contributions of Dixon, Super Soph Denihan, the steadily improving Godfrey and O'Kelly, not to mention Evans and freshman standout A.J. Haugen. It was safe to say that the Jays were poised for the Finals and a rematch with those Ivy League Tigers.

They were ready to shine but the lax gods weren't ready to shine on them. You wondered though, which Jays team would show to face the Duke Blue Devils in the NCAA quarterfinals. Would it be the sub-par teams of the Loyola and Hofstra games or the outstanding ones of the Maryland game?

Initially, it was the former with the Jays trailing 8-4 at the half. With the season looking like it was coming to an end the never-say-die Jays rallied back with Evans leading the Jays' resurgence that erased an 8-4 deficit and turned it into an 11-9 lead with less than a minute left.

The game was not over as the door blew off that hinges in one of the worst minutes in JHU Lacrosse history. John Fray scored two goals in less than a minute for Duke and then Jared Frood capped off the comeback in overtime as the be-Devil-ed Jays went back to Homewood dejected and saying...wait till next year.



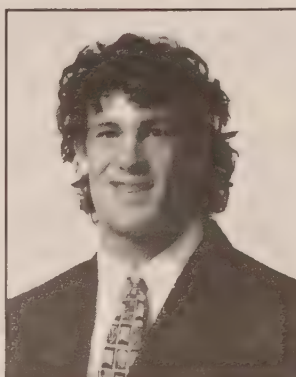
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**Midfielder Andrew Godfrey gives a defender his best head fake in the Jays' 22-8 thrashing of Rutgers.**

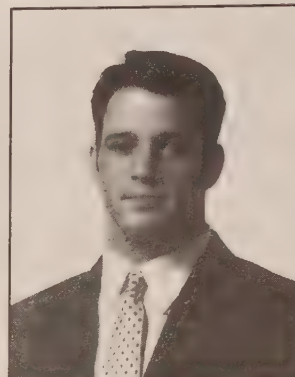


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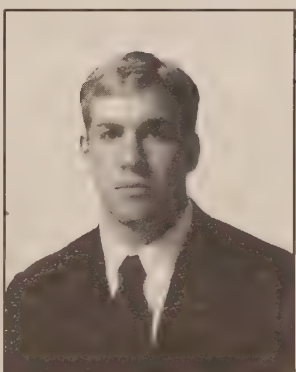
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fr. **15** m  
RYAN QUINN



so. **16** m  
DAVE RABUANO





fr. **18** a  
CHRISTIAN PFORR



sr. **19** a  
DAVE MARKS



so. **20** d  
GERRIT SCHAFRATH



so. **21** m  
JUSTIN SHABERLY



fr. **22** d  
SHAWN NADELEN



jr. **23** gk  
BRIAN CARCATERRA



fr. **24** m  
CONOR DENIHAN



jr. **25** m  
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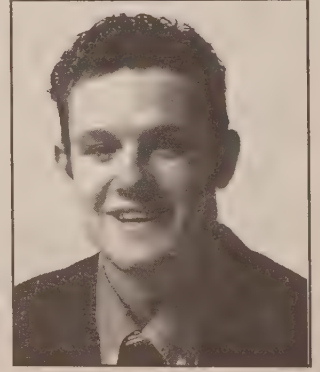
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DUDLEY DIXON



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TOM DIMITROFF



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MANEET SINGH



jr. **36** m  
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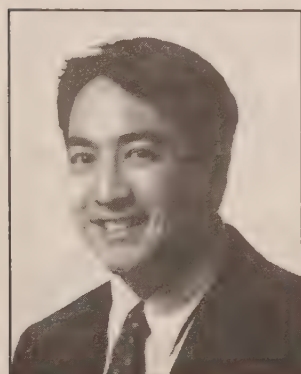
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sr. **46** d  
JORDAN JAYSON



sr. **47** gk  
VINCE ERFE



fr. **48** gk  
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## Riordan and Marr: There is life after lax

We watch them play and we cheer for them. We follow their stats and their names grace the sports pages of the *News-Letter*. But what happens after heroes of Hopkins Lacrosse have played their last game at Homewood Field? Former lax stars, Terry Riordan and Dave Marr, recently gave us an update on how they've been doing, and we gave them a chance to reminisce.

It is most certain that Riordan and Marr left their marks on the JHU lacrosse history books. Riordan was named to the All-Time Johns Hopkins Team upon his graduation in 1995; Marr holds the school's all-time assist record with 134 in his four-year varsity career. During their JHU careers, both players also attracted national attention for their fierce competitiveness and superior skill. In his senior season here, Riordan was named as the 1995 recipient of the Enners Award, honoring the most outstanding Division I player in the country, and was also the subject of a feature article in *Sports Illustrated*.

Marr was named a second-team All-American as a senior in 1996 and ranked third in the na-

tion in assists, averaging 2.79 per game.

Such successes on a national level are an achievement any athlete dreams of. After their college lacrosse careers have ended, Riordan and Marr are still living by the perseverance and work ethic instilled in them by the Hopkins program, and using it in the world outside of Homewood.



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**Riordan lives on after lax.**

And, although, they shared a field for three seasons, their post-Hopkins endeavors have taken very different directions.

Terry Riordan is living out his dream of becoming an actor. Living in Manhattan, the East Coast mecca of show biz, he keeps a busy schedule of auditions and has just completed a run in the

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they now?  
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play *Groundworks 3*. "After graduation, I got an office job with [Hopkins alum] Michael Bloomberg here in New York. I decided that that kind of work just wasn't for me." Following a trip to Japan, Riordan enrolled in acting school and has been developing his talents since. He says that since leaving JHU, "acting has become my lacrosse," approaching it with the same passion as the sport. He no longer has time to play the game, but is coaching his thirteen-year old brother, who he claims is a future Hopkins prospect.

Dave Marr has stayed closer to his Hopkins roots. He is sharing his talent and skill with the next generation of Division I hopefuls as varsity lacrosse coach at the McDonough School in nearby Owings Mills. Last year he taught physical education to students in Baltimore's City schools.

Both players look back on their Hopkins lax careers with great fondness. "I'm really psyched about this [interview] because I

haven't been down to Baltimore since the Homecoming Alumni game in '96 and haven't heard much from them. It [Hopkins] was a great time. I loved those years," said Riordan.

They cite the bonds formed with their teammates as one of the most special memories of their Hopkins days. Marr keeps in contact with some of the old club,



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**Post-lax success for Marr.**

mainly Jonathan Marcus and Benny Andrews. Riordan has lost track of most of his old pals, but remembers the time spent with them warmly. "You don't forget the time in the locker room before and after the game, after wins and losses," he remarked.

A game against Division I foe Virginia stuck out in Riordan's

mind as a most memorable moment. "We beat UVA my senior year and I scored the last goal. I broke the Hopkins record with that goal, and it was a great moment for me, my family and the fans."

Dave Marr also had a special memory which he enjoyed. Playing a game at Homewood Field, the Blue Jays beat the especially tough Maryland team. "It was real sweet for me because my brother was the coach!" Marr added that any game played here at Hopkins was memorable because of the energy of the home crowd. He also cited the rigorous schedule the team played, making each victory even more satisfying.

When asked if either of these top-notch players could offer any words of wisdom to this year's club, both emphasized the importance of keeping a clear head during the game. "Just go out there and have fun," said Marr. "You're playing a top-notch schedule, so just go out and enjoy it."

"Go out there and bring the national championship back to Hopkins," offered Riordan. "Forget all the pressures and don't complicate yourself with the past. Look to the future." Listen up, team—this is sage advice from two top-notch individuals who know the game.



# 1997 Men's lacrosse statistics & results

## Game-by-Game Results

Date	Opponent	W/L	JHU	Opp	Record	Attend
3/1	@ Princeton - OT	L	6	7	0-1	2,349
3/5	Washington College	W	16	4	1-1	1,187
3/8	Rutgers (19)	W	22	8	2-1	2,357
3/15	@ Syracuse (3)	L	13	14	2-2	9,511
3/22	Virginia	L	12	16	2-3	5,584
3/29	@ North Carolina (10)	W	15	7	3-3	1,329
4/2	Villanova	W	17	9	4-3	1,027
4/5	Army (15)	W	23	5	5-3	2,123
4/12	@ Maryland (4)	W	13	9	6-3	3,150
4/19	Navy (13)	W	24	5	7-3	3,976
4/22	@ Hofstra (14)	W	8	5	8-3	8,873
4/26	@ Towson (16)	W	16	14	9-3	1,836
5/3	Loyola (6)	W	14	12	10-3	4,066
5/18	Duke (5/NCAA) - OT	L	11	12	10-4	9,011

## Scoring

Name	GP	G	A	Pts	Sh	Sh%	EMG	SHG	GB	Pen	Min
D. Dixon	14	45	20	65	142	.317	5	0	29	1	1.0
D. Denihan	14	20	20	40	80	.250	3	0	25	4	3.5
B. Evans	14	28	9	37	108	.259	3	0	29	5	3.5
A. Godfrey	14	22	6	28	65	.338	0	3	45	2	1.0
M. O'Kelly	14	20	6	26	45	.444	0	0	34	4	3.0
W. Krueger	14	11	6	17	45	.244	4	0	90	3	2.5
A.T. Bailey	14	3	14	17	12	.250	0	0	22	0	0.0
A.J. Haugen	14	8	5	13	42	.190	0	0	9	0	0.0
D. Marks	13	8	4	12	28	.286	0	0	21	1	0.5
D. Collins	13	8	1	9	24	.333	0	0	4	1	0.5
D. Schlott	14	8	0	8	17	.471	3	0	5	2	2.0
C. Lynch	5	5	1	6	10	.500	1	0	1	0	0.0
J. Gagliardi	14	4	1	5	11	.364	0	0	72	12	9.5
S. Kumin	10	4	1	5	11	.364	0	0	1	1	1.0
M. DiGiovanni	10	2	3	5	12	.167	0	0	20	0	0.0
J. Shaberly	11	3	1	4	8	.375	0	0	6	0	0.0
B. Berzins	12	2	1	3	7	.286	0	0	1	0	0.0
R. Doerr	14	2	0	2	4	.500	0	0	44	7	6.5
D. Rubuano	11	2	0	2	14	.143	0	0	7	0	0.0
J. Moolenaar	6	1	1	2	6	.167	1	0	1	0	0.0
B. Kuczma	14	0	2	2	2	.000	0	0	3	0	0.0
C. Harned	5	1	0	1	4	.250	0	0	3	0	0.0
D. Galvagno	6	1	0	1	2	.500	0	0	1	0	0.0
T. Dimitroff	4	1	0	1	1	1.00	0	0	0	0	0.0
A. Van Horn	14	0	1	1	0	.000	0	0	36	5	4.5
K. Kaiser	11	0	1	1	0	.000	0	0	14	2	1.5
K. Poisella	11	0	1	1	0	.000	0	0	4	0	0.0
B. Carcaterra	14	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	50	0	0.0
P. LeSeur	14	0	0	0	2	.000	0	0	14	1	0.5
J. Penn	14	0	0	0	1	.000	0	0	10	1	1.0
G. Schafrath	11	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	6	1	1.0
J. Jayson	13	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	1.0
R. Schwestert	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	1.0
T. Kruse	6	0	0	0	5	.000	0	0	1	0	0.0
T. Cox	5	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0.0
E. Kuchner	4	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0.0
J. Paleologos	3	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
C. Fassishi	5	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
M. Coulter	4	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
P. Thomas	3	0	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
V. Erfe	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
M. McCulloch	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
Team	14	1	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0.0
JHU Totals	14	210	105	315	709	.296	22	3	650	58	47.0
Opponents	14	217	65	192	512	.248	19	1	546	67	53.5

## Goalkeeping

Name	GP	Min	Sv	GA	Sv%	GAA
B. Carcaterra	14	766	187	113	.621	8.93
E. Kuchner	3	67	19	11	.633	9.85
V. Erfe	2	11	4	2	.667	10.91
JHU Totals	14	844	210	127	.623	9.03
Opponents	14	844	250	210	.543	14.93

## Face-offs

Name	W	WOP	L	LOP	Pct
W. Krueger	112	33	95	13	.573
A. Bailey	29	4	31	15	.418
M. DiGiovanni	21	1	11	2	.629
C. Fassishi	2	1	3	0	.500
T. Dimitroff	1	0	3	0	.250
R. Doerr	0	0	0	1	.000
JHU Totals	165	39	143	31	.540
Opponents	143	31	165	39	.460

## 1997 Team Awards

<b>Sidney C. Erlanger Trophy</b> <i>Outstanding Senior</i>	<b>Brian Kuczma</b>
<b>Bob Scott Award</b> <i>Outstanding Freshman</i>	<b>Brian Carcaterra</b>
<b>William K. Morrill, Jr. Award</b> <i>Outstanding Attackman</i>	<b>Dudley Dixon</b>
<b>George D. Penniman Trophy</b> <i>Outstanding Midfielder</i>	<b>Bill Evans</b>
<b>1941 Team Shaffer Award</b> <i>Outstanding Defensive Player</i>	<b>John Gagliardi</b>
<b>1950 Morrill Award</b> <i>Most Improved Senior</i>	<b>Aaron Van Horn</b>
<b>Henry Ciccarone Award</b> <i>Most Groundballs</i>	<b>Werner Krueger</b>
<b>Gordon Stick Award</b> <i>Unsung Hero</i>	<b>Jay Penn</b>
<b>Fred Smith Trophy</b> <i>Outstanding Loyalty &amp; Dedication</i>	<b>Chris Gardner</b>
<b>W. Taylor Cook Award</b> <i>Outstanding Character &amp; Attitude</i>	<b>Brad Berzins</b>
<b>Turnbull-Reynolds Trophy</b> <i>Outstanding Sportsmanship &amp; Leadership</i>	<b>Werner Krueger</b>
<b>William T. Schmeisser</b>	
<b>All-Time Johns Hopkins Team</b>	<b>Brian Kuczma</b>

## 1997 All-Americans

<b>John Gagliardi</b>	<b>Defense</b>	<b>First Team</b>
<b>Brian Kuczma</b>	<b>Defense</b>	<b>First Team</b>
<b>Dudley Dixon</b>	<b>Attack</b>	<b>Second Team</b>
<b>Bill Evans</b>	<b>Midfield</b>	<b>Second Team</b>
<b>Andrew Godfrey</b>	<b>Midfield</b>	<b>Honorable Men.</b>

## William C. Schmeisser Award

*Outstanding Defensive Player/Division I*

**Brian Kuczma**



# Lacrosse head coach Tony Seaman



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**Head coach Tony Seaman is the captain of Hopkins' lacrosse ship.**

**N**ews-Letter: Last season we ended the year with a heart-breaking overtime loss in the quarterfinals to Duke. What are we doing to put that loss behind us and move on?

Tony Seaman: The NCAA playoffs are wonderful. Unfortunately, for every coach in the country except one, you end the season on a loss. I think that a lot of people don't think about that all the time, but that's the tough part.

If you lose in March or April, you go, "We have next week." Now we've got nine months to put that behind us. Every team I've ever had here has always rebounded from the last game of the year, because we've always lost it, because we haven't won a national championship.

So unless you win the National Championship, every team has to deal with the same problem if they are lucky enough to get into the playoffs.

That's just something that you learn after being in it several times. Last year was particularly tough, because we had really played well through most of the year. We won eight games in a row. We played great in the Duke game except for the last minute. The wheels come off the wagon sometimes and it came off the wagon big time in that game. There were many things that happened in that last minute that were unbelievable—almost impossible to believe, but they happen.

So I think that's been a great motivation to work hard, and keep in mind what kinds of things can happen no matter how much control you think you have, and how many times you practice it, in practice you still have to execute in the game.

**N-L:** Last Year we had two First-Team All-Americans (Brian Kuczma John Gagliardi) and a four year starter (Aaron Van Horn) on the defense. They graduated and this year we bring

in an inexperienced unit. What's your philosophy going to be on the defensive end?

**TS:** March and April are going to be real tough for us. That's going to be the end of the field that we worry about the most.

That's where we are going to make the biggest adjustments and make the most progress in order to be a solid playoff team.

It's going to be a learning experience. All three of those guys who graduated started together four years ago. Kuczma and Van Horn played every game of every season they played here.

I had three starting freshman that year with a freshman goalie. You want to talk about stretching the limits. Now I have a sophomore goalie who's got a year under his belt

who's a talented kid. That helps right away, having a goalie who's got control, who's confident. Rob Doerr (scheduled to start on the defensive unit this year) has played every minute that he's been here as a freshman and sophomore but at the long stick in the midfield and so he'll move down to the close defense, which is not a big change.

We have a player there who's got the potential to be as good as Gagliardi or Kuczma. We're very happy about that. John Paleologos wasn't able to play for us for a year because he was severely hurt in the second game of the year last year, played on the under-19 World Team and was a high school All-American. It looked like he was going to play a lot for us a year ago. But last year he got hurt. But he's ready. He worked real hard in the summer and fall and we really like the way he plays. It's going to take a period of adjustment for him to get back into it again.

And third, we got three very

**head coach**

**LEON MARATCHI**

talented freshman defenseman. Two of them could start. It's going to be a battle to see who matches up the best. We'll probably use all three in the games and rotate them through and see who matches up best.

The nice part is, it's not on two or three freshmen[s], like it was four years ago, shoulders. Now we've got two guys who've been there and have experience with a goalie. It's an area in which we're going to have to be patient.

I can't think of a worse possible situation than to start the year against Princeton, with one of the best attacks in the country, maybe one of the best attacks to ever play the game. That will be a learning experience.

**N-L:** Last year Brian Carcaterra was an active goalie. He was in and out of the crease. Do you think that he will be able to do that this year—especially with the inexperienced group in front of him—and stop offenses like Princeton, Syracuse and Virginia?

**TS:** They are going to put him to the test early. He had the luxury

of starting his career with two of the best defensemen in the country.

Now he's got to stand up and do a better job in the goal than he did in the latter part of the season. We got away from some of the things he was doing well in the beginning. We've pointed those out in the tapes and worked with him since last June—a big part of our early success. And to be able to handle our schedule in March which is the toughest in the country (Hopkins plays #1 Princeton, #2 Syracuse, #3 Virginia in the first month), he's going to be above what we expect him to be. Athletically we can do that.

Reality-wise? That's why we play the games. We want to get better so in April and May we can make a run and be there in the playoffs.

**N-L:** Can this team keep the same level of intensity with the departure of Coach David Pietramala?

**TS:** David got labeled as the hard guy. But I'm the boss, the decisions still come out of this office. We brought in Brian Voelker, who is an outstanding coach. The fit is wonderful. He has earned the respect, and he has a quieter discipline. He's just as

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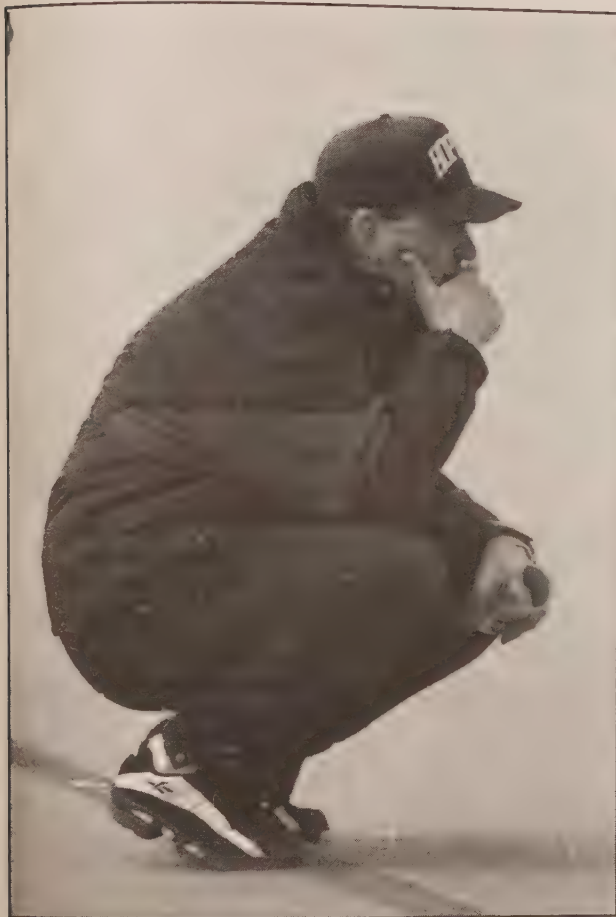


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**Coach Seaman has high hopes for his top midfield line.**



# Candidly discusses life, lacrosse, and losing



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## Seaman ponders how his defense will stop Princeton.

strong. The whole thing runs through this office so the consistency is there. Dave did a wonderful job for us but we are still in good hands.

**N-L:** Our leading scorer from last season, Dudley Dixon, went down in the off-season with a torn ACL. Will he return full strength and be able to lead the team again?

**TS:** I think we will see the Dudley of old in early May. You can't come back in six months from a torn ACL. He might surprise a lot of people about how soon he's back. The wonderful thing about Dudley is that he's done that twice before to his other knee. He knows what the recovery is. The biggest part is the mental aspect.

I've never seen anybody work harder to get ready for the season. His goal is to be the player of the year. We've got wonderful doctors and when they say he's ready, that's when he plays. Dudley's got a great shot and is a great player. We need Dudley to be successful.

**N-L:** Who's going to be our starting attack?

**TS:** We'll have to go through the preseason to see who earns that. We have six equal players who can all play. Whoever plays the best will earn a spot. This is the first time in my years here we

are going to be a midfield centered attack. The attack will do some scoring as a result of our talented midfield.

The day they tell me Dudley's all right, he starts. We have Dylan Schlott who's been waiting for his chance. He played man-up for us last year and is a good shooter. He's big. The one thing we are is big. Dylan is big at 6'4", 218; Jason Moolenaar is 6'6", 220. Dave Marks is 6'3". Those three guys are fighting for a position. Then we have Chris Lynch whose a talented sophomore at 6'3". And Sol Kumin who's our only small guy.

**N-L:** How do you feel about everyone picking Princeton to win the championship this year and everyone else playing for second place? What do we have to do to close the gap?

**TS:** Well, there is no doubt their offense is back. They were undefeated. They did win six one-goal games to get there and three overtime games. So maybe it's a lot closer than everybody thinks.

They are going to be there at the end of the year. They are very good, but that's why we play games. We were number one in 1995, and everyone wondered how you'd stop Riordan and Piccola. And on an unbelievable May day a kid named Dougherty figured it out. He had the greatest

game of his life.

On some Saturdays in May you play in a zone and that's all you need. It will be a huge challenge to start with them. They have a tough road ahead of them.

They don't play a tough schedule. Four games they play top teams and the other ten are against non-playoff teams. Then you start playing the tough teams again. In the playoffs last year they won their first game by a goal, and their second game by a goal. And then they blew out Maryland in the Championship. They are awful good and have a great coach.

You'd love to have a senior class that's experienced and know what's going on. And they got it.

**N-L:** Every year Hopkins has a great recruiting class. For the past couple of years we've had the top recruit in the nation. Who can the fans look to light it up this year?

**TS:** We have a good class and we are thrilled with what we see. There's always one or two. It could be any one of seven. You'll see a freshman midfield group playing together like last year (David Rabuano, Justin Shaberly, Marc DiGiovanni).

You'll see (Eric) Wedin, (Rob) Frattarola, and (Conor) Denihan this year. Denihan will be on our second or first midfield. He's 6'3" and 214 pounds who runs well and is a good shooter. But he's still a freshman, and, as A.J. Haugen found out last year, there is a big difference between a 19-year old freshman and a 22-year old senior.

The biggest difference you'll

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—COACH SEAMAN

see is A.J. Haugen.

Last year he was touted as the best freshman in the country. Great pure skills. He played first midfield for us all year long. I know in his mind he didn't have the year he wanted. There is nothing like coming back as a sophomore. Watch out because he's ready to play.

Going with him is Matt O'Kelly who had a great sophomore year last year. And Andrew Godfrey who had a great junior year. So those three kids together give me the best midfield I've ever had.

The three defensemen are really talented kids. And a couple others who were overlooked coming out of high school. Shawn Nadelin, who might beat a lot of people out for a spot on the defense. We moved him from midfield to defense. He was an All-State All-American football player who's strong and tough, almost nasty tough. I can usually tell how good a defender is from who the offensive guys don't want around them, and he's one of them.

Practices are really competitive. I love the attitude on this team. I think the Duke game is very prevalent in their minds.

I haven't gone to bed or woken up without thinking about that

game. In all my years, I've never had a loss like that. I had to go back and watch the tape 20 times just to see what happened.

That's the other thing about a crushing loss like that: that last minute made you forget about the thirty minutes of the second half that we dominated.

*"On some Saturdays in May you play in a zone and that's all you need."*

—COACH SEAMAN

Our guys here have an undue pressure on them. First you're at Hopkins. Second of all, you've got to win a championship. There is no league, no Ivy League championship, or no ACC championship.

Every alum you ever meet asks, "Are you going to do it this year," and you go, "Yeah we have a game today," and they say, "No, I mean are we going to win a championship?"



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**Sophomore sensation A.J. Haugen leads the best midfield Coach Seaman has ever coached at Hopkins.**



# Captains Dixon, Doerr & Godfrey ready to lead the Blue Jays to national championship

The 1998 Johns Hopkins Men's Lacrosse team has high expectations this year, as they do every year, for the upcoming season. Although the team has not won a championship since 1987, the program is regarded as one of the best—if not the best—in the country. This year the team will be lead by the three captains: seniors Dudley Dixon and Andrew Godfrey, and junior Robert

in sociology and psychology, said, "I want to set the tone; let the guys know what they need to do. I want to push the younger guys on the team. I have to sit down and talk to them and let them know that they have the talent to play at this level. That is why Hopkins recruited them. I want to try and calm any nerves they might have."

The team's first scrimmage was against UMBC on February 7. Normally, the first scrimmage of the season is where the team

## captains

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tougher come tournament time.

"Last year we looked past Duke somewhat. We wanted to play Princeton badly. Duke was more of an obstacle than a goal. We will not make that same mistake again," said Dixon.

Doerr added: "Duke surprised us last year. We were not as disciplined as we should have been. Coach Seaman has stressed discipline this year. We might be a better team this year because of that loss."

## Increasing popularity

Once played at only a few schools, lacrosse is becoming a major sport at more universities.

"In the early eighties, a good lacrosse player had two choices: Syracuse or Hopkins. Today, a serious lacrosse player will be heavily recruited by more than ten schools. The other programs across the country have caught up," said Doerr.

Godfrey also acknowledged the expansion of the sport of lacrosse. "We scheduled a game against Denver this year. Lacrosse did not exist in the West five years ago. Who knows what will happen in another ten years?"

## Challenges

Godfrey sees a difficult road



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**Co-captain Andrew Godfrey celebrates a Hopkins goal.**

ahead if they hope to make a run for the title.

He said, "We clearly have the toughest schedule in the country. Although it may be hurt our wins and losses, we have played in more tough matches that when the tournament comes around we much better prepared. It chal-

lenges us each and every week."

Doerr believes the team's only disadvantage is that "other teams are pumped for two games a year, and most of the time one of them is us. We have to be ready physically and mentally every week."

The key to the season will be how well the young defense can perform with the loss of two All-Americans from last year. The defense is physical, but they lack experience. If we can trust one another, we will be a very good team," said Dixon. "It is imperative that we stay together during the rough times."

## Pressure

Each player also addressed the pressure of playing at Hopkins.

Said Dixon: "There is always pressure, maybe a little more at Hopkins. However, much of the pressure is taken away, because Coach Seaman prepares us so well. We are always very well-prepared for every game."

"Sure we feel the pressure. There is always talk if we do not win the championship, but once the game starts, the only pressure we feel is from our opponent," said Godfrey.

Doerr summed up: "The only pressure is what we put on ourselves. Personally, the only reason I play is to win the title."



FILE PHOTO

**Co-captain Dudley Dixon takes it to the goal.**

Doerr. I had the chance to get their feelings on the upcoming season.

## Responsibilities

I asked each one of their thoughts on the responsibilities of being a captain. Doerr addressed the issue of being a captain as a junior: "I am honored to be a captain as a junior. Sometimes it is a little tough to be a vocal leader to my friends and teammates at the same time. But all the guys realize that, and respect it. I feel that my responsibility as a captain is to be a vocal leader as well as a leader by example. But overall, I find it an honor, and I am going to just say what I think needs to be said."

Godfrey, a sociology major with a minor in economics, conveyed similar sentiments. "I like to lead by example. If something needs to be said, I'll say it. My intentions, though, are to lead by example."

Dudley Dixon, a double major

makes the most mistakes. This was the case this past weekend. "We were a little rusty this weekend, we were sort of feeling each other out," said Dixon.

"We had a rough time, but we have had a good week of practices and should do much better against Penn State," said Godfrey.

Doerr added, "We needed to work on the rough edges. But as this pre-season progresses, we will improve and get ready for the opener. Right now, that is all we are worried about. We need to focus on Princeton and get off to a good start. This weekend many of the reserves will most likely play a lot of minutes against Anne Arundel College. Hopefully we'll play better in the afternoon against Penn State."

## Rough edges

When asked what the team learned about their disappointing loss to Duke in the quarter-finals last year, all three players said that they will be mentally



FILE PHOTO

**Dixon looks for a cutting teammate against Maryland.**



# The class of 2001: A highly touted bunch

**B**ecause recruiting is a big part of any part of the Division I sports scene, the freshman class of lacrosse players at JHU is scrutinized year in and year out. Last year, red-shirt freshman goalie Brian Carcaterra won the Bob Scott Award as the team's most outstanding freshman. A.J. Haugen also made his name known in his first season on the college level as he played on the starting line, scored eight goals and produced five assists.

This year's freshman class is a promising bunch that could exceed the accomplishments of their predecessors. Leading the freshman pack are four high school standouts, Conor Denihan (6'3" midfielder from Manhasset High School in Manhasset, NY), defensemen Brendan Shook (6'4", Columbus, OH, Upper Arlington High School), Patrick Miller, (6'0", Towson, MD, Loyola High School), and Brandon Testa (5'9", Bethpage, NY, Bethpage High School).

Denihan, who was generally considered one of the top lacrosse

## freshmen DAVID POLLACK

players in the country last season, is expected to take on a large role from opening day.

He is a more offensive minded player. "He goes to the goal well and is a good runner," said Head Coach Tony Seaman, who mentioned that the freshman might crack the starting lineup.

This offensive attitude along with his ability to win face-offs should give the Hopkins midfield an added dimension this season as last years team strong suit was defense.

To Seaman, the only tool that Brendan Shook is missing is experience playing at the college level. "He's a wonderful athlete," the coach said. "He has great speed and great size." Indeed, at 6'4" and 200 pounds, last season's Ohio Player of the Year, who led his team to three state titles in his high school career, should make an immediate impact in the

Hopkins defense.

Noted for his stick handling abilities on defense, Brandon

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Testa is also expected to play a more integral role on the team than most freshman might hope for, right from the get-go. Coming from the established high school program at Bethpage which also produced A.J. Haugen, Testa has the potential to be the foundation of the Blue Jay defense for the next four seasons.

Rounding out the defensive standouts is Patrick Miller whose impressive showing in the fall

could ensure him a spot on close defense. He won All-Metro and All-County honors at his nearby alma mater where he was captain of the lacrosse as well as the hockey team.

These are not the only standout recruits this season, however. At 6'0", 190 pounds, Shawn Nadelen is looking to move away from his current position on defense to better help his team at the midfield position.

He is a very hard worker and also has the potential to move into the spotlight quickly. An All-American at Rush-Henrietta High School, Shawn hopes to be able to assist Hopkins in any way he can this season.

It will not be easy for Nadelen to move into the midfield position simply because the Jays are stockpiled with talent there. Freshman Alex Brown who was an All-American midfielder at McLean High School in Virginia is currently battling for a spot on the fourth line at that position. Ryan Quinn, Eric Wedin, Rob Frattarola and Kyle Szmanczyk round out the list of

freshman fighting for jobs on the third and fourth lines on the midfield.

On the attack unit, Hopkins has two freshman who will be battling for positions on the second line. Noah Hunt (6'0", 170, Lancaster, PA, Hempfield High School), who might need a season under his belt before he makes an impact and Christian Pforr (6'1", 215, Huntington, NY, Cold Spring Harbor High School) who is oscillating between the first and second units.

Finally, although the position of goalie will be won by either senior Eric Kuchner or sophomore Brian Carcaterra, Kobie Bowles (6'2", 230, Cherry Hills Village, CO, Cherry Creek High School) and Maneet Singh (5'6", 145, Hazlet, NJ, Blair Academy) both possess good shot stopping ability, one with the help of his size and the other with his speed, respectively.

All in all, the Blue Jays are looking forward to a bright new future and thus far the young players are showing that they are up to the task.

# Schwester has the dirt on men's lacrosse

**A**llow me to begin by introducing myself. My name is Rich Schwester, and I am currently a sophomore midfielder on the lacrosse team. Each week I intend to provide some insight as to our expectations, weekly preparations and the personal feelings that surround the team.

With Blue Jay Lacrosse upon us, the 1998 team will look to rebound from a devastating loss in the quarter-finals at the hands of upstart Duke. And although this year's team will miss several key players, we as a team feel that there still remains a potent nucleus.

The midfield, a deep and overwhelmingly talented unit, will be led by All-American Andrew Godfrey, junior Matt O'Kelly and sophomore sensation A. J. Haugen. These three all possess a unique ability to dodge and shoot better than most.

Furthermore, a significant and integral part of the midfield is the faceoff. This responsibility primarily rests on the shoulders of Marc DiGiovanni and A.T. Bailey. Bailey is a veteran who is rarely second-guessed. He is steady and consistent. DiGiovanni is a talented sophomore who relies on exceptional quickness. Both have a myriad of moves that will leave any opponent in awe.

At the controls of the attack

## off the bench RICHARD SCHWESTER

will be leading scorer and All-American Dudley Dixon who, although he went down in the fall with a knee injury, has made a comeback that is nothing short of a miracle.

We are quite confident that he will be ready to pick up right where he left off. Rounding out the attack will be junior Dave Marks, a precise feeder, and both Jay Moolenaar and Dylan Schlott will be key elements to this unit because of their superior marksmanship.

The unit in question is the defense. Even though a year ago this unit was dominated by two All-Americans, Brian Kuczma, Defensive Player of the Year, John Gagliardi and Aaron Van Horn, a four-year starter.

This year's defense will look to the maturity of goaltender Brian Carcaterra and leadership and tenacity of Robert Doerr. These two, coupled with a talented junior John Paleologos and the experience and grit of senior Jordan Jayson, should fill the void.

Our philosophy this season will be considerably different when compared to previous Hopkins teams. In the spring, you

will see our offensive focus change considerably. A once-methodical and overly patient offense will be cut loose. It is our intention to use our speed to our advantage, with the hopes of running the opponent into the ground. The defensive philosophy will remain intact. It will be hard-nosed, in-your-face attitude, where a unit of seven will be hell-bent on punishing the opponent.

Our preparation thus far has consisted of rigorous running and weight training, the norm. However, what I believe to be a considerable change is the team's mindset. Despite the monotony of pre-season, the team is eager and in good spirits.

Despite the pressures, we must remember that it is a game—a game that is supposed to be fun. And it is quite evident that people, in general, achieve more and do better when they enjoy what they are doing.

However, the biggest change directly affecting the team came this past summer with the departure of Assistant Coach David Pietramala. He left Hopkins to become Cornell's head man.

Replacing coach Dave Pietramala is yet another Hopkins alumnus. Brian Voelker, an All-American defenseman who graduated in 1991, has taken over the duties that Pietramala left behind.

The mild mannered Voelker hasn't missed a beat, constructing yet another dominant Hopkins defense. We are excited to have him with us and are quite confident in his abilities.

Our expectations are very obvious. Hopkins is not a team that

plays for second place. And we as a team are quite confident that through perseverance and a superior work ethic, many of the question marks that currently circle this team will be answered, quietly, in the form of a championship.



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*Time out for congratulations and encouragement.*



# Nation's best await Hopkins on every rung of ladder to success

**opponents**
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COURTESY OF INSIDE LACROSSE

## Hopkins faces 12 of the top 30 teams in '98.

If the Johns Hopkins men's lacrosse team played only mediocre teams, a lot of talent and training would go to waste. Luckily, fans across the nation will be served an extra-hefty serving of Hopkins' only Division I sport as the squad prepares for another run at the national championship with the toughest schedule in the nation.

Head Coach Tony Seaman has once again put together a schedule that pits his team against the nation's elite week after week. All but one of the Blue Jays' opponents are ranked among the top 30 in the U.S. by the Face-Off '98 Lacrosse Yearbook Preseason Poll.

Hopkins, ranked fourth in the poll, will face every one of the top six ranked teams, including the top three (Princeton, Syracuse and Virginia) during the first month of the season. The season-opener against two-time defending national champion and preseason number-one ranked Princeton, and March games against perennial powers Syracuse, Virginia and North Carolina, will give the Blue Jays little time to ease into the season. Newcomers to the Blue Jay schedule include the University of Denver and the University of Hartford, which will both visit Homewood Field for the first time.

After playing at Villanova on April 4, the Blue Jays return for a game against Maryland on April 11 and will not have to leave the state again for the remainder of the regular season as home games against Hofstra and Towson are sandwiched between road tilts at Navy and Loyola to close the season.

on to record an undefeated season and successfully defend the national crown. In addition, the Tigers are also riding a school record 28-game winning streak, which is the third-best in college lacrosse history. "Last year is history," said Head Coach Bill Tierney, who coached the Tigers to their fourth NCAA title of the decade in 1997. "We may be the preseason No. 1 pick again this year, but it won't be easy."

This year marks Princeton's first foray into a season as two-time defending national champions. Last year produced Princeton's first undefeated (15-0) season since 1935. All ten Tiger starters were honored by the All-America committee, and three others joined those ten as All-Ivy League selections.

Princeton lost twelve players to graduation, including four All Americans: goaltender Patrick Cairns, midfielders Todd Eichelberger and Jason Osier, and defenseman Becket Wolf. The Tigers may be most affected by the loss of nine midfielders, seven of whom returned.

Included in that bunch are Princeton's top two face-off men from a year ago, James Mitchell and Dennis Kramer.

Princeton does have six starters back, and will feature the Ivy League Player of the Year Jon Hess, who scored 26 goals and had 48 assists last season.

Seniors Jesse Hubbard, Chris Massey and Hess are together the best attack unit in the game. They are destined to be at the top of the record books at the end of the season.

In 1998, Princeton will try to match Hopkins' and Syracuse's three-peats, the only two occurrences in NCAA history, but every team will try to knock them off their path. No other team has ever won the title four out of five years, and Princeton will look to kill two birds, not necessary a Blue Jay, with one stone this season.

Hopkins will get first crack at the Tigers this season, and it looks like Homewood Field will once again be treated to the best competition available.

"If we do beat Princeton, it'll be great for Saturday, but Sunday will come around and we'll have to think about Denver. You can never celebrate too much with our sched-

ule," said Seaman, who added that he would much rather beat the Tigers in May.

## UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

**home**  
**wednesday,**  
**march 4**  
**2:00 p.m.**

location/denver, co  
nickname/pioneers  
colors/crimson & gold  
conference/independent  
home field/tba  
head coach/brian salazar  
1997 record/4-6  
97 postseason/n/a  
preseason rank/n/a

The Denver Pioneers will travel to Homewood Field for the first time in the Blue Jays' first Wednesday night game. After just one year in Division I, Denver's young team has gained a lot of experience playing at this level.

The Pioneers retained eight starters from last year's squad. Among them, senior attackman Matt Pierce and goalie Eric Schlemann will lead at the two ends of the field. Pierce had 21 goals and 6 assists last season, while Schlemann posted a 9.70 GAA and a .529 save percentage.

Sophomore Bill Hobbins, who had 38 ground balls last season, will also help carry the load on the defensive end.

This game should allow some of the younger players to get quality playing time.

"This is a good mid-week game for us. Hopefully, we can jump out to a quick lead and give the younger players a chance to play," said Seaman.

Freshman goalie Kobie Bowles (Cherry Creek, CO) may get the opportunity to play against many of his high school teammates and rivals.

## PRINCETON UNIVERSITY



**home**  
**saturday,**  
**feb. 28**  
**2:00 p.m.**

location/princeton, nj  
nickname/tigers  
colors/orange & black  
conference/ivy  
home field/class of 1952 stadium  
head coach/bill tierney  
1997 record/15-0  
97 postseason/ncaa champs  
preseason rank/1

A season ago, the Blue Jays traveled to Princeton, New Jersey for the 1,000th game in JHU history and came within one goal of knocking the Tigers off their perch in the season opener. After the 7-6 victory, the Tigers went

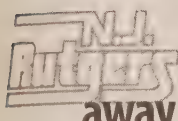


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**Hopkins is eyeing some of the toughest opponents in the country this year.**



## RUTGERS UNIVERSITY



away  
saturday,  
march 7  
2:00 p.m.

location/new brunswick, nj  
nickname/scarlet knights  
colors/scarlet  
conference/independent  
home field/yurcak field  
head coach/tom hayes  
1997 record/8-7  
97 postseason/none  
preseason rank/22

Last season, Hopkins cruised to a 22-8 victory over the Knights at Homewood, but this season will take the Jays to New Jersey, where Rutgers has two strong players at either end of the field. Junior attackman Brody Bush, the team co-MVP and two-time assist leader, is an unselfish player with a knack for finding the open man. Bush had 52 points last season with 15 goals and 37 assists.

Senior Craig Buckley has increased his goal scoring each year of play, from 17 to 19 to 25. He had 38 points last season to go with 60 ground balls.

Senior Mike Zoanetti has started every game in goal (except when ill) over the past two years. He recorded 161 saves for 54.8 percent, and posted a 10.15 GAA. Zoanetti is capable of the big save in the big game, including a 23-save upset win over Syracuse in 1996.

As the heart and soul of the Scarlet Knights, he will have to step up to help Rutgers win the close games this season.

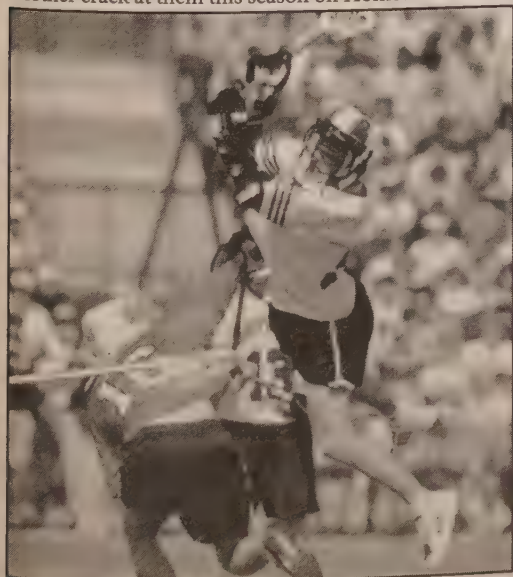
## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY



home  
saturday,  
march 14  
3:00 p.m.

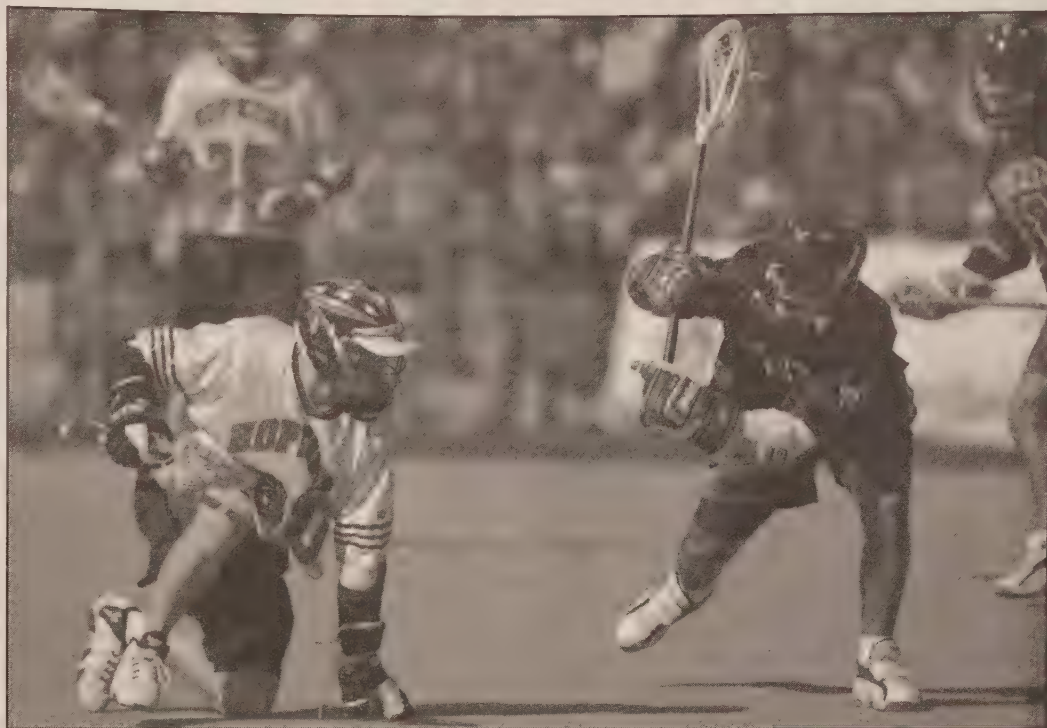
location/syracuse, ny  
nickname/orangemen  
colors/orange  
conference/independent  
home field/carrier dome  
head coach/roy simmons jr.  
1997 record/11-3  
97 postseason/ncaa semi-finalist  
preseason rank/2

Hopkins dropped a close one (14-13) to the Orangemen last season, after jumping to number two in the polls. Few teams ever win at the Carrier Dome, but Hopkins will get another crack at them this season on Homewood Field.



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Look out for the crushing Hopkins attack.



COURTESY OF INSIDE LACROSSE

### Senior midfielder A.T. Bailey crawls off the turf in the face of a fierce defender.

With Player of the Year Casey Powell and five other returning starters, the Orangemen will again be one of the top contenders for the national title. Powell scored 43 goals and 40 assists last season, but Hopkins has done extremely well in containing him in the past. He has only scored twice against the Blue Jays.

Helping him out will be his younger brother, Ryan, who, as a freshman, recorded 16 goals and 17 assists. Ryan plays at both the attack and midfield positions.

Senior goalie Jason Gebhardt, one of the premier goalies in the nation, has three full years of experience and will be tough to score on. He did suffer an injury during the Fall, which may give Hopkins a slight advantage.

Also, Syracuse has a young team and will have to depend on the attack for most of the scoring.

## UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA



away  
saturday,  
march 21  
2:00 p.m.

location/charlottesville, va  
nickname/cavaliers  
colors/orange & blue  
conference/acc  
home field/klockner stadium  
head coach/dom starsia  
1997 record/11-3  
97 postseason/  
ncaa quarterfinalist  
preseason rank/3

Virginia had another tremendous year with an 11-win season and three one-goal losses to Princeton, Syracuse and Maryland.

They also galloped onto Homewood Field and knocked off the Jays 16-12 last season.

However, gone are the Doug Knight/Michael Watson years that troubled opponents for four years. Knight was the most prolific scorer in Virginia history, holding the record for career goals and points, and Watson finished second in goals and third in points. Watson earned four All-American awards and Knight three.

But Head Coach Dom Starsia is ready with a new offense. Junior co-captain Tucker Radebaugh (24 G, 11 A, 29 GB) will move to attack in '98. He's one of the hardest workers on the team, with lots of experience and savvy. Radebaugh earned Honorable Mention All-American honors in '97.

Sophomore Drew McKnight (22 G, 20 A, 29 GB) will be the new quarterback of the offense. He started every game between Knight and Watson last season.

A group of six middies will make up two solid midfield lines. Senior co-captain David Wren (26 G, 6 A, 36 GB) is one of the strongest middies in the college game, earning 2nd Team All-American honors in '97.

Sophomore Jason Hard will be the #1 face-off man and also run on one of the first two midfield lines. Hard won 176 out of 285 face-offs (61.8%), a mark that was eighth best in the country. He also ranked seventh in groundballs per game. Hard received ACC Rookie-of-the-Year honors in '97.

Senior defenseman Karl Zeller has started every game at Virginia in his first three years. Sophomore Ryan Curtis will cover the opposing team's top attackman, which means he will be covering Jays senior attackman Dudley Dixon as well as Powell and Hess.

Virginia's mid-field is much like the Jays' and was hurt by the loss of great attackmen. It will be interesting to see who will adjust better and utilize their strengths to overcome the weaknesses.

## UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA



home  
saturday,  
march 28  
2:00 p.m.

location/chapel hill, nc  
nickname/tar heels  
colors/carolina blue & white  
conference/acc  
home field/fetzer field  
head coach/dave klaremann  
1997 record/6-7  
97 postseason/none  
preseason rank/9

The Tar Heels lost to the Jays 15-7 at home last season, but they lost one-goal games to three of the Final Four teams, too. They led Princeton by two goals, the only time all season that the national champions trailed by more than one goal.

Sophomore Chase Martin started 11 games in his rookie

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### **Hopkins needs to take it to the goal this year.** *continued from Page 29*

season, and finished as the 3rd leading scorer on the team. He has one of the hardest shots on the team and will have to mature quickly as a leader.

Losing five starters to graduation, the Tar Heels will need much more of the 18 goals and 7 assists Martin posted last season.

Junior Justin Bowman (19 G, 2 A, 49 GB) will head up the 1st line as the face-off man. He won 50/92 face-offs (54.3%) in 1997. Bowman finished fourth in scoring and third in ground balls last year.

Carolina won four out of the last five games in 1997, finishing up strong. They have a lot of young players who played a lot of minutes last year.

This year they have tremendous midfield depth, and will run three solid lines all game long.

They have a potentially explosive attack, but with young players, inexperience may become a factor. The midfield and defense will be strong, but with a new goalie and little senior leadership, the team is vulnerable.

## **UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD**

**home**  
**wednesday,**  
**april 1**  
**7:00 p.m.**

location/hartford, ct  
nickname/hawks  
colors/scarlet & white  
conference/america west  
home field/al-marzook field  
head coach/jack mcgetrick  
1997 record/11-3  
97 postseason/none  
preseason rank/24

The Hawks proved that they belonged in any schedule ranked the toughest in the nation, with a 11-3 1997 season. Six starters will return for Hartford, including two 30 goal scorers.

Senior Keith Anzelone is a team co-captain who will control the ball on offense. He scored 34 goals to go with his 14 assists and 44 ground balls last year.

Senior Jason Clark, a lefty attackman from Toronto, has been able to score when the Hawks needed it most. Senior co-captain Colby Crogan has started at mid-field for four years.

He won 60 percent of his face-offs last season. Joining him will be sophomore Tracey Kulesky, who was named the America East Rookie-of-the-Year in his rookie season. He also earned Second Team All-Conference honors.

Leading an inexperienced defense will be Dan Prior. The junior is the only returning starter at close defense. Hartford also has a freshman defending the goal this season.

Last season, the Hawks were fourth in the nation in goals scored against (8.07/game), but this year may easily turn out very different. Senior leadership will be key for the Hawks, if they are to have another stand-out season.

Head Coach Jack McGetrick was named Coach of the Year by his peers in 1997 for Hartford's tremendous showing last season. He will have his hands full with six straight away games to start the season.

## **VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY**

**away**  
**saturday,**  
**april 4**  
**1:00 p.m.**

location/villanova, pa  
nickname/wildcats  
colors/blue & white  
conference/independent  
home field/villanova stadium  
head coach/randy marks  
1997 record/7-7  
97 postseason/none  
preseason rank/29

Villanova enters the 1998 season with five new starters and will look to three seniors to lead the team to jump into the top 20 in the nation after going .500 last year.

Team captain and 1997 team MVP Jeff Huber will lead the team on offense. Huber, a lefty, scored 32 goals and had 18 assists to go with 45 ground balls.

Senior Brian Rhodes may prove to be the best face-off man in the nation in 1998. Rhodes won 168 out of 254 draws (66.1%), which ranked second in the nation. He also added a whopping 115 ground balls.

Senior captain Tim Waters will lead the defense end of the game, covering the top mid-fielder of the opposing squad.

This trio of leaders will have to mentor a talented young squad in 1998 if the Wildcats want to claw their way into the top 20 teams in the nation.

Villanova has a very tough schedule which includes a season-opener against Maryland and games against Penn State, Hopkins and Georgetown.

This schedule should be easier on the team, because the Wildcats had to play away at Penn State right after the opener against Maryland and, later in the season, Hopkins and Georgetown in the same week last season.

Hopkins is not looking at this game lightly. With a Wednesday game earlier in the week, Hopkins can't lose focus.

"No matter who we play, we know that they'll be up for us, just because they're playing Hopkins," said Seaman.

## **UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND**



**home**  
**saturday,**  
**april 11**  
**7:00 p.m.**

location/college park, md  
nickname/terrapins  
colors/red, white, black & gold  
conference/acc  
home field/byrd stadium  
head coach/dick edell  
1997 record/11-5  
97 postseason/ncaa runners-up  
preseason rank/6

Maryland won four straight games in May last season before feeling the wrath of the Princeton Tigers in the NCAA finals. Maryland defeated Georgetown, Virginia, and Syracuse en route to becoming the third unseeded team to reach the championship game.

The Terrapins only lost three starters to graduation and returns all three All-American attackmen after the 11-5 1997 season.

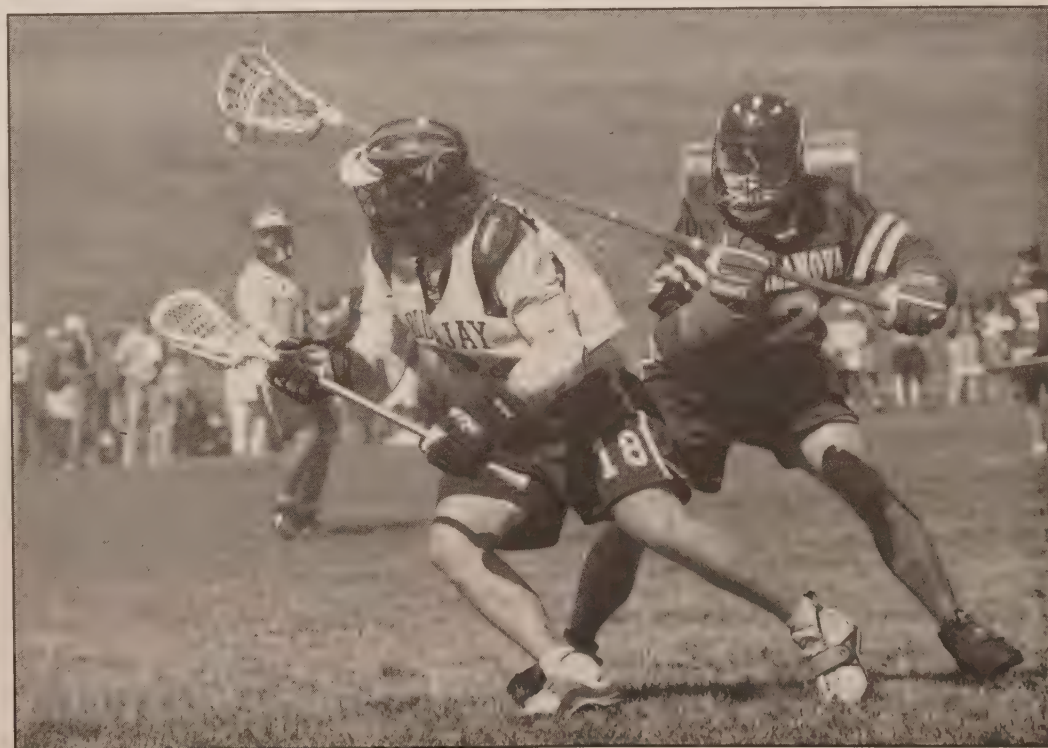
Seniors Andrew Whipple and Matt Hahn and junior Scott Hockstadt combined for 85 goals last season. They may prove to be the best attack unit in Maryland history.

Three seniors may also form the mid-field line. Three year starting seniors Frank Radin and Kevin Pasqualina and veteran Billy Ruhl help make Maryland a strong contender for the crown.

Two-time captain Mike Bonanni came back from a broken leg to lead the Terrapin defense last season.

The only piece of the puzzle left seems to be the goalie position. Hopkins defeated the Terrapins 13-9 last year at Homewood and Maryland travels to the Jays' nest once again in 1998.

Keep in mind though, Maryland dropped four games in the regular season, but stepped it up in the playoffs, when it counted. Losing very little to graduation, the Terrapins seem capable of another successful season.



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**Hopkins faces the toughest schedule in the country. The Jays never take a week off.**





## NAVY

away  
wednesday,  
april 18  
7:00 p.m.

location/annapolis, md  
nickname/midshipmen  
colors/navy blue & gold  
conference/independent  
home field/rip miller field  
head coach/richie meade  
1997 record/6-6  
97 postseason/none  
preseason rank/T-16

Navy had a great start to the 1997 season, winning four straight one-goal games, including a huge 13-12 upset of North Carolina. However, they dropped their last four matches of the season, including a 24-5 loss to the Blue Jays at Homewood.

This year Navy has a deep group of veterans to rely on, losing only two starters. With a tough early season, the Midshipmen will need the younger players to step up when needed and convert some of the experience into leadership skills.

The attack unit consists of four main juniors who will be playing together for the third straight year. Junior Jamie O'Leary is the showcase player, a potential All-American if he can be consistent all season long.

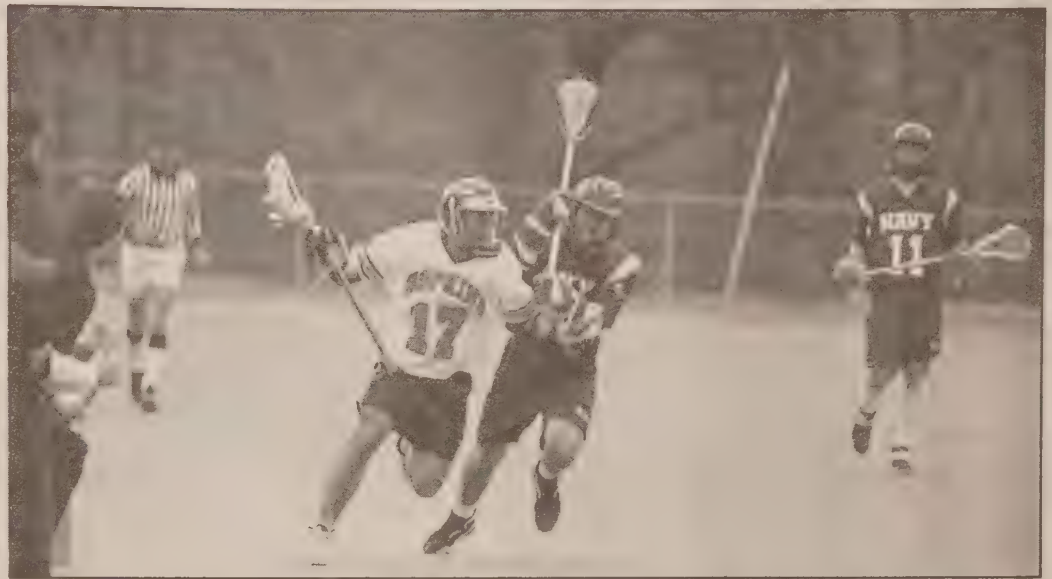
At 6'2" and 215 lbs., he has good presence on the field. O'Leary was the team's leading scorer (24 goals and 6 assists) in 1997 and was fourth as a freshman. He's played both mid-field and attack.

Senior Jason Hull is the top face-off mid-fielder. Senior Scott Meushaw heads the first midfield line. Meushaw has a great stick, solid instincts on and off the ball, and is a solid finisher.

The entire close defense returns. Senior captain Howie Meehan is a tough, physical defenseman who is the leader on the field.

Sophomore goalie Mickey Jarboe was given a huge responsibility for his freshman season—the starting goalie job. He played very well, making 179 saves (.574).

"Navy is well coached and they always give us a heck of a game. They get to play at home against us this year too," said Seaman.



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*The Jays have dominated the Hopkins-Navy matchup in past years, and the rivalry continues.*

least the early part of the season.

Four year starting senior Jarred Testa scored 22 goals last season and provides good leadership.

Junior Joe Ghedina won 59.5% of his face-offs last season and will be called upon again to start. Ghedina, a transfer from Rutgers, also led the team in ground balls.

With so many new faces, many of whom transferred from junior colleges, team chemistry must be achieved. In their favor is the depth of the mid-field, the potential of the new players, and, again, the goalie position.

In many ways, Hofstra resembles Hopkins, and the late-season game should, again, be a sizzler.

## TOWSON UNIVERSITY

home  
saturday,  
april 25  
2:00 p.m.

location/towson, md  
nickname/tigers  
colors/gold, white & black  
conference/america east  
home field/minnegan stadium  
head coach/carl runk  
1997 record/5-7  
97 postseason/none  
preseason rank/15

Despite a losing record in 1997, which included two one-goal losses that could have given the Tigers a winning season, Towson always steps it up when the Blue Jays are their opponent.

Last year, Hopkins won at Towson by just two goals.

The 16-14 loss came after a 20-9 loss at Loyola in the same week.

All-American Matt Clune returns with only three other starters from the previous season.

Clune, the team captain and offensive leader, scored 29 goals in 1997 and has led the team in points for three straight seasons. Joining him is senior attackman Kevin Sturm, who had 34 goals last season, giving him 75 two years.

Junior Spencer Ford posted 11 goals and 16 assists last season at the mid-field, but will make the transition to attack in 1998. This gives Towson a strong attack unit.

The Tiger mid-field will be featuring three sophomores this season, but there is enough depth and experience to make it a good unit. A young defense, with two freshman competing for the starting goalie job, may be the Tigers' achilles heel.

April 25 will be the biggest game for Towson and they will come to play.

## LOYOLA COLLEGE

L  
away  
saturday,  
may 2  
1:00 p.m.

location/baltimore, md  
nickname/greyhounds  
colors/green & gray  
conference/independent  
home field/curley field  
head coach/dave cottle  
1997 record/10-4  
97 postseason/  
ncaa quarterfinalist  
preseason rank/5

In 1997, Loyola earned their 10th straight NCAA tourney bid, and reached the quarterfinals for the fifth straight year.

Only a tough 12-11 loss to Syracuse kept them from their first appearance in the semi-finals since 1990. Loyola also had their 14th straight winning season.

Loyola returns seven of their top nine scorers, their main face-off man, and their goalie who has started for two straight seasons.

Up front, Loyola's attack unit is among the best in the game. Junior Tim O'Shea (26 G, 19 A, 47 GB) has tremendous quickness and is a great finisher.

Junior Gewas Schindler (39 G, 26 A, 28 GB) may be the most skilled player in the college game. Schindler is an excellent finisher with a hard, accurate shot. After 62 goals in his first two seasons, he's on pace to be among the top three career goal scorers.

Loyola's midfield lines will be juggled around, but several key players return. Junior Mark (32 G, 13 A, 23 GB) has the total package of size, strength and speed. In addition, he has outstanding dodging ability which all added up to recognition as a 2nd Team All-American midfielder in 1997.

The two starting short stick defensive-middies return, junior Kevin Quinn and sophomore Peter Haas (69 GB).

On the defensive end, Jamie Hanford (97 GB) is the ultimate leader. He's taken 808 face-offs in his career, winning 55.3 percent, and he's guarded the opposing top attackman every game for three straight years.

Senior co-captain Mike Day and senior Tim O'Hara will be the other two starting defensemen, giving Loyola a veteran look in the back. Junior Jim Brown returns for his third year as the starting goalie. With two solid seasons under his belt, he's ready to really take charge in 1998.

"Loyola is the most under-rated team in the country," said Seaman.

## HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

home  
wednesday,  
april 22  
7:30 p.m.

location/hempstead, ny  
nickname/flying dutchmen  
colors/gold, white & blue  
conference/america west  
home field/hofstra stadium  
head coach/john danowski  
1997 record/9-6  
97 postseason/  
ncaa first round  
preseason rank/12

Last season, Hofstra, led by goalie Mark Spruyt, allowed Hopkins only eight goals in a 8-5 Blue Jay victory. Spruyt is back as a graduate student and looks to improve upon his 66.1 save percentage and 6.77 GAA.

Along with the five other returning starters, Spruyt will have to help the 16 new players on the roster to play as a team.

Hofstra returned to the NCAA tournament last season and ended with 9-6 record.

Senior Brian Langtry scored 16 goals last season at the mid-field position, but will move to the attack unit for at







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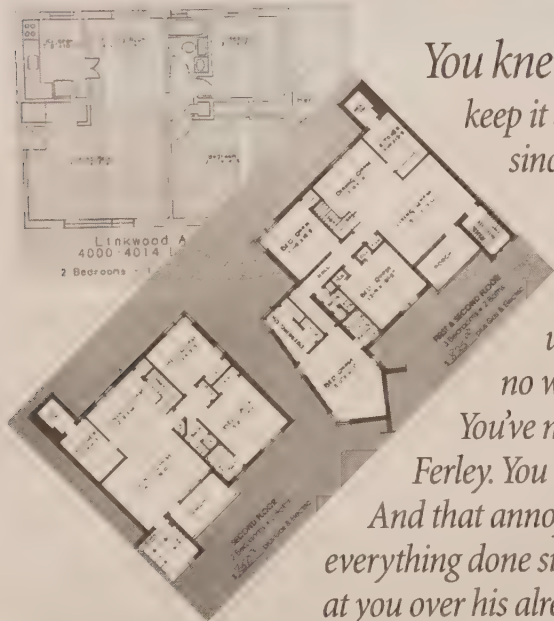
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# EDITORS' NOTE



*You knew it was coming. They never tried to keep it a secret. They've been telling you about it ever since you were a prefrish. But now the time has come. Very soon you will be tossed out of the comforts of dormitory living (hot meals and free toilet paper) into the great unknown of off-campus life. And you are in no way prepared.*

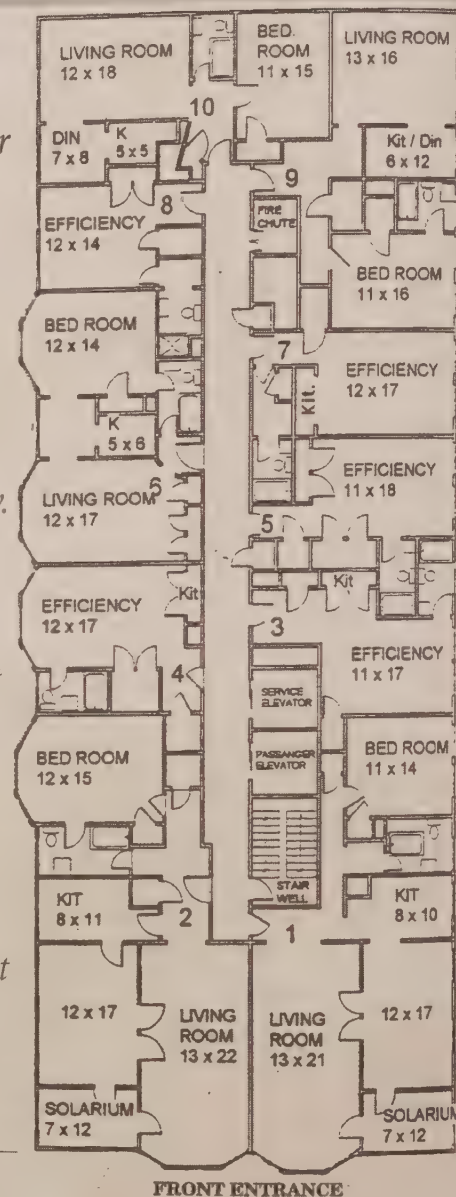
*You've never seen a landlord that wasn't named Mr. Ferley. You don't know the Bradford from the Broadview. And that annoying kid next door who always has everything done six months ahead of time won't stop sneering at you over his already-signed lease papers. Stop, sit down, breathe deeply and take a shot of vodka. No, just kidding. It's going to be okay. You've got the News-Letter Housing Guide.*

*Here you will find firsthand accounts of 25 popular apartment buildings, written by Hopkins students who've lived in them and know what they're like. You'll also find advice on rowhouse living and an introduction to the off-campus housing office. Look towards the back pages of the issue for practical information you'll need when you're out on your own, ranging from where to buy furniture to how to make some basic repairs. This issue is primarily geared towards sophomores getting ready to move into their first apartment, but juniors looking for a new home for next year will find it useful as well. We've also included some views on the Wolman versus McCoy debate for the current freshman class.*

*We'd like to thank all the people who contributed to this issue—those devoted staff members who spent their precious Intersession hours and Saturday nights laying out pages, our graphic artists and photographers for their hard work and creativity, our diligent copy editors, everyone who called for rental information, and of course, our writers, and especially our guest writers, for contributing the articles that made this issue a reality. We'd also like to thank the landlords and rental agents for their cooperation.*

*Good luck finding a place to live. You'll be okay. Really. We promise.*

*Your Special Editions Editors,  
Benedicta Kim and Emily Schuster*





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# UNIVERSITY HOUSING

## My landlord, Johns: University-owned apartments

*Bradford, Ivy and Homewood provide decent, convenient housing that caters to students*

BY ALLAN MASSIE  
News-Letter Staff

Whether or not to live in university-owned apartments is a bigger choice than Hopkins House vs. Broadview. A number of factors make the Bradford, Ivy and Homewood apartments different from any others.

First of all, university-owned housing is not two more years of dorm life. As a junior or senior in university-owned housing, you won't have an RA to hide your liquor from or run to when you fight with your roommate. Also, university-owned apartments don't have the social, dormy feel of the AMRs, or even Wolman and McCoy; you probably won't know most of the people on your floor if you choose university housing.

However, there are a few advantages to living in a building filled only with other students. You won't feel guilty about playing music after 9 p.m. or have to shush your guests if you have a party on a Saturday night. This isn't a ticket to bother your fellow apartment dwellers any time you want, but in general you'll be free from the town/gown clashes that can trouble residents of non-university-owned buildings.

One other nice thing about university housing is that the Wolman Housing Office is often more accommodating (gasp!) to student needs than other landlords. Your rent goes on your tuition, so that's one less bill you have to worry about every month. Also, university housing residents can stay on the Hopkins meal plan if they want to, although of course

there are a lot of excellent reasons for deciding to opt out of this unique perk.

Thinking about studying abroad or taking a semester off? Only university-owned apartments let you sign a six-month lease or break a yearlong lease

**You won't have  
an RA to hide your  
liquor from.**

for academic reasons without a penalty. Your only other option is to try to find a sublessee, or leave that problem to your housemates.

Another unique benefit of university housing is the protection of

campus security. Laugh all you want, but it's nice to know that your building is regularly patrolled.

Theft can be a real problem in non-university-owned apartments (this goes super quadruple for row houses, although there can be problems in lower-scale apartment buildings as well). The Homewood did suffer a few break-ins soon after it reopened, but security now maintains a constant post inside the building.

Of course, all these conveniences don't count for much unless the apartments themselves are nice places to live. As living spaces, the university-owned apartments are adequate, but small. In general, you will pay more money for less space in university housing (although the prices of other apartments can be deceptively low if you don't fac-

tor in utilities). The efficiency apartments in the Bradford and the new Homewood, in particular, are minuscule; don't sign up for one if you are prone to claustrophobia.

One nice option, found in few other area apartments, is furnished living spaces; the furniture will send you visions of Wolman and McCoy, but it's adequate for student needs.

University-owned won't provide the nicest or the cheapest housing, but it does provide a flexible, worry-free option. Anyone who wants to live among fellow students, study abroad or avoid evil landlords should consider university housing.

For more information on the specific university-owned buildings, see articles below and on page 5.

## The Bradford

3301 ST. PAUL STREET

BY SWATI RAWANI  
By News-Letter Staff

The Bradford is one of the three university-owned apartments for upperclassmen. The building is nine stories tall and is located in upper Charles Village, just two blocks east of campus. Its proximity to campus is valuable when you're running late for class; you don't have to rely on the promptness of a university shuttle, but only on your two feet to get you there on time. It is also located across the street from Royal Farms and the University

Mini Mart, which is convenient when you crave a midnight snack while studying.

The apartments in the Bradford come in different sizes, making it a convenient choice, whether you plan to live alone or with several roommates (although keep in mind that it is cheaper to live with roommates). A resident can choose from efficiencies to one, two, three or four bedroom apartments with living rooms, full kitchens and baths. Some apartments—the three and four bedroom ones—have two bathrooms, which helps to avoid morning quibbles of which roommate should be allowed to take a shower first. In addition, the apartments come with such accommodations as carpeting, cable-ready rooms and furniture such as a lamp, a sofa and a coffee table in the living room, and a bed, a dresser, a night stand, a lamp and a study desk (including a bookshelf) in the bedroom. The closet space isn't huge but it is just enough for the necessities. There is an actual kitchen in every apartment, which has plenty of cabinet space and an full-sized refrigerator. Each apartment is designed differently, so there may be a few variations in each room. For instance, my room has two regular-sized windows which allow for plenty of sunshine, but



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my roommate's room has only one window that is so narrow that hardly any sunlight enters. Another disadvantage is the size of the kitchen in the efficiency. The size of the one room in the efficiency is decent, but the kitchen is a little hallway with a miniature fridge with a freezer not even big enough for ice cream.

The closet in the efficiency is just about big enough for a winter coat. You may have to live with fewer clothes or make arrangements for additional closet space.

There are many advantages of living in a university-owned building such as the Bradford. For instance, apartments are available on an eleven or twelve-month lease and the payment is added on to your tuition. For this rea-

son, you don't have to worry about paying the rent every month—this is one definite plus, unless you like paying bills every month. The apartments in the Bradford are not available at a bargain price, but the prices aren't too extravagant. The price range for the 1997-98 year was \$6480 for an efficiency and \$4800 for a four-bedroom apartment (these prices are for a twelve-month lease). If you do the math, that comes out to \$540 for an efficiency and \$400 for a four-bedroom apartment. This is quite a good deal when you consider that all utilities (such as heat, electricity and gas) are included in the rent. The only bill you have to pay is the phone bill and a bill for an Internet connection if you have

one. Also, since the furniture is all owned by the university, you don't have to worry about finding a storage company at the end of the year. Due to its proximity to campus, Hopkins security vans drive by the building quite often, which makes it a safe place to live. The building is properly maintained and is free of rats, roaches or any other insects, and the building's attendants are very friendly and are quick to help with any problems that may arise.

There are disadvantages to living in the Bradford, but they are few and far between. The walls in the building tend to be somewhat thin, so that even if you don't know your neighbor, you will know what his or her taste in music is. But unless you have unusually clamorous neighbors, this shouldn't be a problem. Even though this is a university apartment you no longer get the 516 + extension as your phone number. You have to get your own phone line through Bell Atlantic, and the initial installation charge is expensive. Also, there is no Ethernet connection available so you have to use a modem, and the connection is comparatively slow.

Overall, most residents enjoy living in the Bradford. It is walking distance from classes, the computer labs and the library. It is across the street from Royal Farms. It is safe. It may be a little expensive, but most residents agree that convenience is an asset worth paying for.

### RENT SCALE:

Furnished only.

Efficiency	\$6480/Year
1 Bedroom	\$8700/Year
Shared 2,3,4 BR with roommates	\$4800-\$6060/Yr

### AMENITIES:

Central A/C & Heating  
Cable ready  
24-hr Emergency maintenance and security

### UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

None

### RESTRICTIONS:

No pets.

### PARKING:

Garage with fee  
Street parking w/City permit



# The Homewood

BY KATE LEARY  
News-Letter Staff

What can I say? I like it here. There are times, though, when my roommate and I feel like dorks. Because the Homewood is, essentially, a dorm. And we are, essentially, clinging to the last vestiges of our parentally supported childhoods by living here. Maybe I'm getting ahead of myself. I don't know. You see, I'm very conflicted about my apartment.

On the one hand, living in the Homewood is super easy. You pretty much avoid all the transitions from dorm life to OFF CAMPUS life. These include landlords, utilities and monthly rent checks. Your rent is billed right along with your tuition on that biannual bill that gets sent to your house. Easy street. You can use as much heat, water and electricity as you want and never be held accountable. In fact, my roommate's single favorite thing about our apartment is that the heat is free. I often wish it wasn't because she has a tendency to keep it around eighty degrees. But she is otherwise pretty nice,

so I keep her around.

My apartment (a double) is plenty big enough. The closet space is more than adequate. Furniture for upperclassmen doubles and singles is not provided, so that was kind of a hassle. The apartment is very light and airy and clean. You don't have to worry about any sketchy tenants who might have previously used your toilet. The kitchen is small, but has a full fridge, range, oven and lots of cabinets. Counter space is lacking.

It is nice to be surrounded by students because you don't have to worry too much about how loud the music is or how late you're playing it. The other tenants don't categorically hate students, as I've heard they do in other buildings. That would be silly. Maintenance is pretty prompt in responding to problems. I've heard they only exterminate on a "need" basis, though. We found a roach our second day here, but have been pretty lucky since we had the place exterminated. Several of my neighbors have had mouse problems.

The other annoying thing is



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that the building is probably never going to be finished. The construction crew is generally at work by 8 a.m., and they're very noisy. Perhaps that won't be a problem next year, but don't count on it.

My main problem with the Homewood is that it is really expensive. It runs roughly one thousand dollars per month for a double. My roommate and I were both planning on going abroad second semester, so we needed to be able to break our leases. You're allowed to break the lease in uni-

3003 N. CHARLES ST.

versity housing if you have a good reason (i.e. semester abroad) and give a month's notice. Of course, neither of us wound up going, so here we are in the Homewood with no good excuse. And don't think you won't have to make up excuses. You're paying an extra one hundred to one hundred and fifty dollars a month for no good reason, bucko. I used to give people the whole schpiel about how I was planning to go abroad, but they always ask why I'm not going abroad, which makes me

## RENT SCALE:

Furnished:	
Efficiency	\$6300/Year
1 Bedroom	\$8580/Year
Shared 2 BR	\$5940/Year
Shared 3 BR	\$5280/Year
Shared 4 BR	\$4740/Year

## AMENITIES:

Central A/C & Heating  
Cable ready  
24-hr Emergency maintenance and security

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

None

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets

## PARKING:

Campus parking  
Street parking with City Permit

feel lame. So I just skip the study abroad explanation, and admit I'm lame for living in the Homewood. We're thinking of moving next year, but we're kind of settled in our ways.

Basically, living in the Homewood isn't as hip as getting a row house with five friends. But it's a hell of a lot easier.

10-12 EAST 33RD STREET

BY LEE ASHENDORF  
News-Letter Staff

Everyone who lives in sophomore housing knows what they like most about it: decent-sized suites, maintenance people who will fix problems in less than a week, relatively strong security and, of course, ethernet access. Well, you know what? You can find the same features in Ivy Hall.

Don't wet your pants just yet,

though. You also get stuck with almost the same rent as the dorms, there's no elevator and it's much smaller than the dorms. Ivy only has rooms for 48 people in total, and you really only have the chance to associate with your three apartment-mates.

Ivy is a two-building, university-owned apartment complex. There are four floors in each building. The first floor has the laundry room and mailboxes; the

other three floors have two apartments each. Within each apartment is a central living room, four bedrooms, two bathrooms and a kitchen. The kitchen opens up to the fire escape (which is where the garbage is located, to be picked up almost daily).

The kitchen has a normal-sized refrigerator, an oven and stove, a really small sink and some cabinet space. The bathrooms and the bedroom furniture are no different from their Wolman counterparts.

The main problem with Ivy is bringing your stuff

(and yourself) in and out. There's no elevator, so when you have to get the computer up to your second, third, or fourth floor apartment, guess how you gotta get it there? Yup, that's right, the old-fashioned way: stairs. That's not so bad for the second floor, but if you're daring enough to live on the fourth floor, you'd better find some kind-hearted friends to help you (like I did). Lack of an elevator is probably the biggest complaint you'll get from me.

The location of Ivy is nearly ideal. You have easy access to campus (it's about 15 seconds farther from Gilman than Wolman or McCoy), and spur-of-the-moment shopping is easy due to the fact that it's directly above Royal Farms, and right across the street from the Mini-Mart. It's also right above Greenway Pharmacy, which is much more convenient than you'd imagine. And arguably the greatest thing about the location is the corner where Ivy is located. The corner is frequented for a reason even more popular than WaWa parties—it's the greatest spot in the area to catch a cab. Go down the stairs and step outside, and within five minutes (usually within mere seconds), you'll have a cab. On the downside, your windows can potentially look out over St. Paul (not bad scenery-wise, but it's pretty noisy), the alleyway behind PJ's, the WaWa house, or the fire es-

cape (don't open your window—it gets pretty stinky with all the garbage there). The building is also right above Royal Farms, home of the weekly Great Convenience Store Robbery. But I've never been shot, so it's not all bad, and the panhandlers are pretty nice guys once you get to know them.

In terms of security, it works pretty well. The access card thing, while annoying at times, is effective security, and it doesn't go nuts nearly as often as in Wolman or McCoy. And with so few people living there (24 in each building), you don't get the "we're-drunk-so-let's-set-off-the-fire-alarm-at-4-a.m." problem. I don't even know what it sounds like; my lab partner was once woken up by it (during lab time), but there was actual smoke that time.

Since Ivy is university-owned housing, you also get to deal with the Wolman Housing Office again (cheers from the crowd). Aside from the total incompetence of telecommunications and the bureaucracy you encounter when dealing with said Housing Office, it's not that bad. Housing may not care about your problems, and they may put you off until you graduate, but at least they do it with a smile. All that means is that only maintenance is responsive. You have to buy your own lightbulbs, but if you have any other maintenance problems, they'll take care of it. I have never

encountered one of these problems, but my apartment-mate saw a silverfish once, and an exterminator remedied the problem quickly.

When all is said and done, the gripes are minor points (except for the phone thing). Ivy comes out on top, between cleanliness, attractiveness, proximity to campus and the rest of the known world, and, of course, ethernet. If you can get in, go for it, but definitely don't count on it, because it's a small building. Comfy-cozy.

## RENT SCALE:

Furnished only.	
Shared 4 BR, 2 Baths with 3 roommates	\$5180/Year

## AMENITIES:

Central A/C & Heating  
Cable ready  
Coin-operated laundry  
24-hr Emergency maintenance and security  
Smoke detectors  
Royal Farms & pharmacy in basement

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

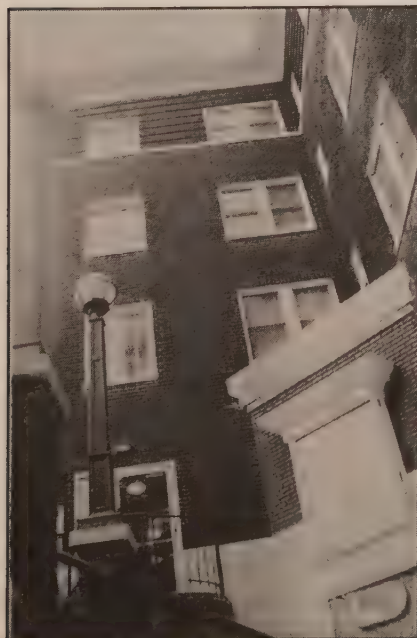
None

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets

## PARKING:

Campus parking  
Street parking with City permit



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# McCoy Hall

BY AMANDA DRUCKMAN  
News-Letter Staff

As the housing lottery draws near, I know all of you freshmen are getting terribly excited at the thought of making the jump across Charles Street from either the AMRs or Buildings A and B. As for the freshman who are already living in McCoy, disregard this article. I know I was pretty psyched to be afforded the luxury of my own bathroom and kitchen as my class standing moved from freshman to sophomore. The AMRs were a fun living experience, but after a year of burlap walls and communal bathrooms it's time to move on. If your housing lottery number isn't low enough to get you into the Homewood, chances are you'll be in either Wolman or McCoy.

The suites in McCoy tend to be slightly larger than those in Wolman, which is why the former tends to fill up faster and have fewer freshmen residents. While there really isn't much of a difference between the two sophomore dorms besides a mailroom and a dining hall, McCoy is somewhat

quieter and less social than Wolman.

The floor lounge, equipped with cable TV, couches and tables, is a great place to chill with the folks on your wing. Due to the arrangement of the suites, McCoy is obviously not as social as the AMRs. However open access, in effect from 6 p.m. to 12 a.m. every night, makes visiting friends on different floors in both Wolman and McCoy much less of a hassle than having to call up to their room from the lobby. I wouldn't worry about trying to get on the same floor as lots of your friends. If you can, more power to you, but it's not a necessity.

I am fortunate enough to hear the Union Memorial Emergency Room Symphony on a regular basis, but I do get a fair amount of light in my room. Though it doesn't seem like a big deal at the time of the housing lottery, take note of window placement in your room. You'll want a room that lets in the most amount of light. Let it also be known that the level of noise heard from outside decreases as the floor number increases.



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Try to take advantage of the size of your room through careful placement of furniture. I lofted by bed, and found that it gave me much more room to work with to make my single look as big as possible. Wall to wall carpeting is a nice touch, and the white walls match with any bedding pattern that your parents have picked out for you. My favorite difference between the AMRs and McCoy would definitely have to be the climate control unit in my very own room. As I sweated in my second floor AMR room in Sep-

tember of my freshman year, I longed for the day when I would have air-conditioning at my fingertips. That time has arrived and believe me, you'll love it.

Not having to wear flip-flops into the shower is also something that you'll be taking for granted by the second week of school. However, make sure that you and your suitemates set a schedule for cleaning the bathroom, or it will get just as dirty and gross as those beloved communal units.

A kitchen at your disposal provides an often welcome alterna-

tive to Wolman cuisine. Cooking is fun, and it gives you a taste of what life will be like when the University evicts you from their housing system at the end of sophomore year.

McCoy is a cool place to live. Did I mention that we don't have as many fire alarms as our counterpart across 34th Street? Anyway, you won't regret living in McCoy. I know I don't mind residing in a dorm as spacious and casual as McCoy. Its proximity to campus, as well as its location a few blocks from the shops and eateries of Charles Village, will make you feel much more a part of Baltimore, itself.

## RENT:

Suite, Single room, Shared Bath \$5785/Year  
Suite, Double room, Shared Bath \$4585/Year

## AMENITIES:

Study & conference rooms

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

None

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets

## RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:

Exercise rooms, game & music room

## RENT:

Suite, Single room, Shared Bath \$5785/Year  
Suite, Double room, Shared Bath \$4585/Year

## AMENITIES:

Mail room & Wolman Hall in same building

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

None

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets

# Wolman Hall

BY SARA BILLARD  
News-Letter Staff

No sophomore chooses Wolman before the distribution of lottery numbers. Sure, a couple of kids might tell you that they wanted one of those rooms with an ample view of the Beach, but, trust me, they're lying. Of the three possible campus residence halls (we'll disregard the AMRs here, since living anywhere with

community bathrooms is more of a rite of passage than a residence), Wolman boasts a winning record for the number of freshmen, early morning fire drills and broken elevators. A view of the Beach never quite makes up for Wolman's being a ceaseless sophomore nightmare.

Even so, when the housing gods deem you part of the lower half of your class during lottery number allotment, you have two options: Either you make a friend with a top ten selection, or you work with Wolman.

And, honestly, when compared to the AMRs, Wolman Hall is certainly a step up. While certain rooms may not be any larger than AMR rooms, every suite contains a kitchenette with ample shelf space and two stove top

ranges. So, you won't go hungry at three in the morning while polishing off those last-minute assignments. My suitemates found that a rented microwave fits perfectly into the space next to the stove.

Then, if you don't feel like cooking, just take the elevator down to the dining hall, located in the same building. The mailroom, too, is right downstairs. The only edge Wolman has over McCoy is that Wolman residents never have to trudge out into the cold and cross the street to get their mail or eat dinner. In fact, dinner in slippers is a must at least once for every Wolmanite.

The only other treat at Wolman Hall is the huge lounge on every floor, complete with couches, tables, cable TV and a VCR. Although the room must be shared with the floor and can often be occupied, at least you won't miss the new *South Park* episode even if you don't have a TV in your own room.

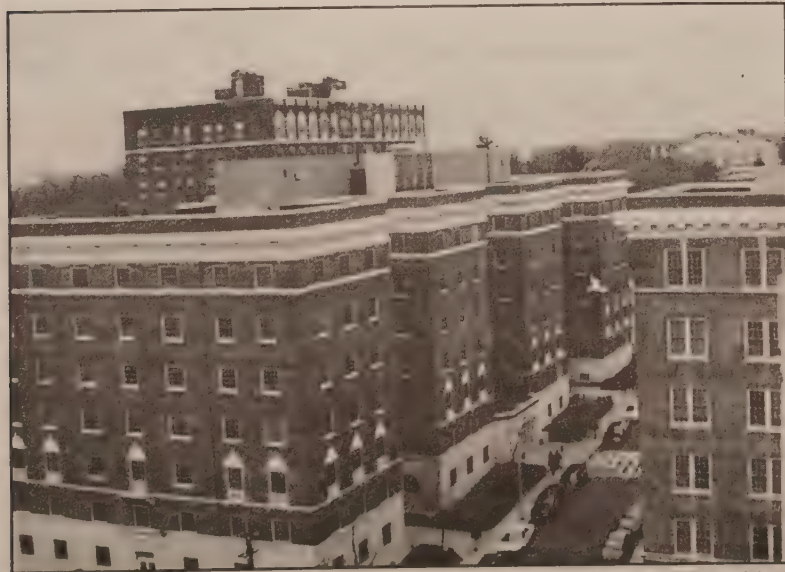
The sizes of the rooms differ dramatically in Wolman, so definitely check out the maps with square footage before selecting a suite. In my suite, one room would fit into an AMR dorm room twice, while the other spaciouly fits all the furniture with enough extra floor for two more chairs and a

table. With the help of bed-lofting and keen placement of materials, though, even the smaller room feels like more than enough space to live comfortably.

The bathrooms, though, are anything but comfortable. I'm still grumbling since I realized that my bathroom is smaller than the ones in Buildings A and B. Providing only enough room for one person to stand inside, beware of claustrophobia. Also, when those tiny rooms become even slightly dirty, the filth's about an inch away from your face. So work out some sort of cleaning schedule or else washing yourself in that room will be a completely vain exercise.

The climate control may or may not work very well in your room, but at least you have the power to change the thermostat. After working it out with your roommate, any temperature's a possibility, at no extra cost to you. So, crank that heat up.

Despite these mild perks, all Wolman residents secretly (or not-so-secretly) envy their McCoy counterparts across the street... especially outside at 3 a.m. during a fire alarm. Still, there's a lot to mildly enjoy about Wolman, as long as you think ahead, pick out a good room and cooperate with your suitemates.



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# CHARLES VILLAGE

## Charles Village: Our home sweet home

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For most Hopkins students who live off-campus, Charles Village is home. It's a neighborhood that covers 100 blocks of the city from 25th Street, north to University Parkway and from Maryland Avenue, east to Guilford Avenue.

At its social center is the 3100 block of St. Paul Street, a commercial strip where a very diverse community mingles. Students sit next to cell-phone wielding professionals outside the bagel shop. Shoeless, sockless, long-haired ex-hippies wait behind senior citizens on line at the ATM machine. And once a month in the warm season, hundreds of Villagers, young and old, gather for a block party and mambo dancing in front of the supermarket. Long-time residents say this diversity gives Charles Village a Greenwich Village, New York City feel. And it has become the defining characteristic of the community.

"It's an eclectic mix. There's the ex-hippie element. There's the

people with a slightly off-beat personality that you wouldn't find in [neighboring areas]," says Doug Munro, a former Hopkins graduate student who, ten years later, is still living in Charles Village.

The homes of Charles Village are large, 100-year old row houses that attract first home buyers, oftentimes young couples looking for a place of their own (though many couples move out when they have children of school age). Blue collar workers move up to Charles Village from smaller row houses downtown. And urbanites who love old marble fixtures, wood floors and small back gardens are also attracted to the area.

"Unlike other parts of the city, it's not an economically homogeneous neighborhood. There are people who have so much money they don't know what to do with it, and there are people who have nothing. Somehow, everyone lives together and everyone recognizes each other," says Doug Meriwether, a thirty-five-year resident of the Jefferson House



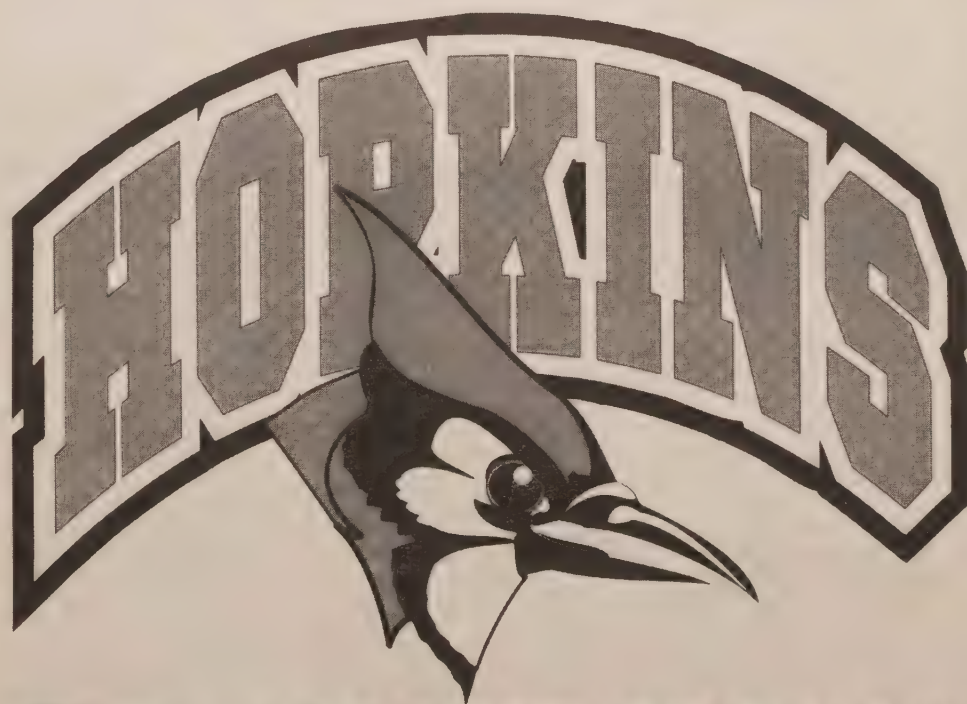
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on St. Paul Street.

For example, the Secretary of State of Maryland lives on St. Paul, as do writers for *The Sun* and the *CityPaper*. And at the same time, there are the homeless, the panhandlers and the mentally ill who roam the streets.

Hopkins adds a sophisticated, international element to the community. Undergraduates, graduate students and medical and nursing students from the East Baltimore campus live in Charles Village. This abundance of student residents adds diversity to the population but also translates into an apathetic, transient population. Few students find time to connect with the community or care much about what is happening in it. Many students feel Charles Village has little to offer them in the way of entertainment or necessities.

But in a neighborhood that has seen great upswings and downfalls—booming in the 20s, 40s and 70s—the next few years should bring a rise again. For Hopkins students, the hope for a "college town" may be realized.



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# Just say "Row": Why houses are better

BY JOE GROSSBERG

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There is a reason why LL's sitcom is not called *In Tha Apartment*. Mr. Cool J and his producers are obviously well-aware of the fact that living in a house is a sign of both intelligence and style. Living in an apartment, well, isn't.

As one of the few upperclassmen on *News-Letter* staff this year smart enough to live in a rowhouse, I have been assigned the responsibility of letting you know why it is far, far better than being cooped up in an overpriced, undersized apartment. For lack of a more original format, I now present to you:

## The Top Ten Reasons Why Living in a House is Better Than Living in an Apartment:

**10. Cost.** I am currently sharing a rowhouse with two roommates for the absurdly cheap price of \$350 each per month. Next semester, when our fourth roommate moves in, rent falls down to \$260 each. Good luck finding an apartment north of Rooties at those rates.

**9. More space.** That \$1050 a month buys us a 14-room house (including three bathrooms, two with showers). And I'm not talking little rat holes either—we've had eight people, each in his own chair, watch *South Park* in our living room. That's nice.

**8. Elevators suck.** When you stumble home drunk, the last thing you want to do is fumble around for the right number button and stand in a floating box for half a minute. You just want to make it to your bed (or perhaps the toilet) as soon as possible and pass out. Living in a rowhouse buys you thirty seconds of leeway. Assuming that you would go in and out of your apartment twice a day, that adds up to six hours of your life—which you'll never ever get back again—wasted in an infernal elevator. Same for anyone who wants to visit you. Oh yeah, and it's a lot easier to check mail and do laundry when they're right at hand instead of one hundred feet below you.

**7. No annoying doormen.** When someone wants to come over, they ring the doorbell and we answer it. No need for guests to remember our phone number, have the doorman clear it with us and then try to remember what apartment number we are in. Once you make it to our door, you're as good as in. (Unless, of course, you're on our banned-from-the-house list.)

**6. Location.** Sure, the housing options closest to campus are apartment buildings like The Charles, Marylander and Blackstone. However, most rowhouses are right in the thick of things—Eddies, CVP, Sam's

Bagels and C.C. Carryout are practically right down the block. And, if you're really brave, McDonald's and the Schnapper can be too.

**5. Neighbors.** Think of all those people you've grown to hate during your first two years at Hopkins. Now consider the fact that, if you move into a house, you know beforehand who your neighbors are and you have two of them at most. Live in an apartment, and you very well might have to share excruciatingly long elevator rides with your ex-boyfriend/girlfriend or that guy who played Pantera 24-7 or a stalker or the kid you duct-taped to a water fountain freshman year.

**4. Friends.** Not only are several roommates always at hand to

get wasted and watch *Billy Madison* and *Happy Gilmore* back-to-back, but if they all have tests the

suck. Period. Given the choice, why opt to once again be packed into a building filled with random people not of your choosing? The Bradford has the same elegant and comfortable furniture you learned to love in Wolman or McCoy. Worst of all, the Homewood gets you all this, and (gulp!) R.A.s to boot.

## 2. Parties.

Sure, you don't end up having as many as you had planned, but just try sneaking a keg, a barbecue and twenty guests into your apartment.

**1. It's more like the real world.** True, some people spend their whole lives living in apartments. My par-

ents did for the first thirty-five years of their lives. However, as a Hopkins graduate, odds are you will have to deal with the ups and downs of being a homeowner for years to come. Might as well get a little practice.



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next day, there's probably a few more of your pals down the block. If you're a hermit, go live in an apartment.

**3. Remember why you left the dorms in the first place?** Dorms

# Who's the boss? Dealing with landlords

BY PILAR OBERWETTER

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Somewhere in the beginning we went wrong. Ever since, we have questioned what we must have said or done to be so completely on our landlord's bad side. We began to wonder when it took him two weeks to send someone over to install a doorbell, and our suspicions were confirmed when he avoided our phone calls and never returned our persistent messages to fix the downstairs toilet.

Finally, two very long months later, a reluctant repairman dropped by without warning and put an end to the incredible inconvenience of five people using the one remaining toilet. Such routine irritations serve as constant reminders of the mistakes that we made early on when we were naive to the protocol of how to deal with your landlord.

The thing to remember about landlords is that they control the

one thing that will affect you to some degree every day—your home. I am qualified to make this statement because my housemates and I experienced firsthand this unfortunate hierarchy that you enter into when you first live on your own. And so I offer my advice on how to deal with these potential dictators to all future rowhouse tenants.

## First meeting

When you first meet your landlord, definitely be polite, but also be assertive. Do not let him think that you are going into this process completely unaware. Ask such questions as: How old are the major appliances (i. e. refrigerators, stoves, etc.)? Are the utilities included in the rent? Does the house come with an installed security system, and if so, how effective is it?

This initial questioning period is your opportunity to show your landlord that you are not just

some Hopkins student who knows a lot about organic chemistry and nothing about the basic workings of a house.

## Signing the lease

Do not sign the lease until each of your questions has been answered to your satisfaction. Remember, in signing this document, you are essentially putting your next year at the mercy of this individual, so make sure each and every single current problem as well as any potential problems have been addressed. At this point in the process, the landlord actually cares about your concerns, and he really will fix things, if only to get you to give him the initial down payment.

Also, before you sign the lease, make sure you read it. At this point, it is still negotiable and your landlord is willing to discuss details and possibly make changes. Again, he still cares. This is your last chance because once you sign

the lease, you are committed to giving him rent money for the next year, whereas his real obligation is to hand over the keys. A sad fact is that in the mind of a landlord, all guarantees end with your signature.

## Dealing w/problems

The problems with the house that will (inevitably) occur over the next year must also be dealt with delicately on your part. Personally, my housemates have banned me from ever calling our landlord again after I threatened his secretary. The key is to be nice. Always. Regardless of how frustrated you are, you must remember that he automatically has the last say in how and when things will be done.

The first thing to do is to include a letter with your month's rent, listing the problems clearly and politely. If there is no response within a few days, then give him a call. Do not sound frus-

trated—just remind him of your letter. It would help to have a copy of this document so you can read to him right from it. If he still does not act in the next day, continue to call with increasing frequency and assertiveness. And if he still does nothing, next month just send him a letter with no rent. If you are still being polite, this will work.

## All in all

Living in a rowhouse can be fun, but it can also be incredibly irritating to deal with your landlord on every single small thing that goes wrong with your house. Make sure everything works before you move in, and fix what you can by yourself before you call in the landlord. I promise you, it will get done a whole lot faster. Besides, your Hopkins education would not be complete if you did not at some point learn how to replace a light bulb or install your own phone jack.



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# The Allston Apartments

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When I tell people I live in the Allston, I get one of two responses, "Where is that?" or "So, just how big are the rats?" In response to the first question, the Allston is on Charles and 31st, across from the BMA sculpture garden. As for the second, let's just say that they allow cats for a reason.

Convenience is one of the biggest selling point for the Allston. It's right across the street from campus, and if most of your classes are on the lower quad, you can wake up five minutes before class and still make it before the TA's. The shops on St. Paul are also close, even if they are a little over priced.

Facilities are reasonable, if a little worn. The washing machines in the basement are \$1 per load, and they are almost always avail-

able. The down side is only one of the dryers works better than a clothesline, and one of the washers is notorious for eating that favorite shirt. The heating system is a beast from another era with one radiator in each room and no air conditioning, but you only have to pay for cooking gas.

The big down side is the poor maintenance and low-tech security. The building must have been a real beauty at one time but it has gone far too long since its last facelift. Every apartment has a fireplace but not one of them is in working condition. Enough paint peels off the walls and molding that it is difficult to keep the floor clean. And the door bells on the entire north side of the building were broken for better part of this semester. Being handy with things like pipes and wires is almost a necessity.

So why do I still live here? Three words. Cheap! Cheap! Cheap! A three bedroom apartment runs less than \$800 per month. Deposits are minimal at only one month's rent. The first month's rent is due on move-in day.

## RENT SCALE:

One-bedroom	\$350-\$425
Two-bedroom	\$450-\$625
Three-bedroom	\$650-\$695
Four-bedroom	\$850-\$895

## AMENITIES:

Full kitchens  
Cable-ready  
Laundry facilities

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

Security deposit of one month's rent

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets



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# The Blackstone Apartments

BY JULIE CILIA

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You walk to the shiniest apartment building in Baltimore, look at the model apartment, and sigh happily. You're going to be one of those merry residents, you think, whose luxury apartment is spotless and new, whose enchanted days are filled with workouts in the gym and drinks by the rooftop pool. This is you, until you realize that you'll have to sell every worldly possession and take up gambling full-time just to pay the first two months of rent. And that's only if you're good at gambling.

The Blackstone is another op-

tion. No gym, no chandeliers—but it does provide comfortable apartments for a relatively reasonable price in an old building across from campus. The apartments are bright and sunny, with white walls and wood floors. The north side of the building features bay windows, while the south side offers nice views of the Inner Harbor.

One of the best things about living in the Blackstone is being able to run to the Silk Road Café (home of the best grilled chicken sandwich in existence), located off the side of the lobby.

Some buildings are plagued by rodent-friendly living, but the Blackstone is not one of them (although, admittedly, I did see a rat

the size of a pony dart through the bushes in front of the building the one time). Bugs are a problem for some residents, but I've found that the roach traps or bait sold in most supermarkets keep insects away.

Another advantage: location, location, location. The Blackstone is directly across from campus, making the rush to class an easy one. It is also conveniently near the BMA and the stores on St. Paul Street.

When I moved in to the Blackstone, several things were broken or missing in the apartment. However, this was soon remedied. The maintenance staff is friendly and helpful, and the leasing manager usually sends

someone to make necessary repairs soon after they are requested. Not everything is rosy, though, as you might expect. There is only minimal security. The laundry room is small and mildewy. Rent tends to go up from year to year. And then, of course, there's the elevator. If you're a true optimist, you can regard the side-to-side sway of the cables as one of the interesting variations of life, but even Pollyanna would find herself cursing at the elevator door, which rarely responds when it hits someone trying to get into or out of the elevator—even when that person is leaning on the door and trying to beat it back with a grocery bag. As the elevator does, I have come to believe, demonically delight in the suffering of its passengers, it periodically changes the timing of the door's closing. One day it will allow you plenty of time to exit or enter the elevator, but the next day, the door slams shut almost before you have time to step from the back of the elevator to the front.

Additionally, the elevator's walls and floor are covered with carpet. This isn't a problem in the winter months, but when it is hot outside, the carpet absorbs every nefarious odor which passes through it. And there aren't any garbage chutes, so most people use the elevator to take their trash to the dumpster. Mysteriously, the elevator's fan is never running. In warm weather, it always seems twenty degrees hotter in the elevator than outdoors. It's the heat of a thousand suns, the stink of a thousand fishes.

But you can always chalk it up to character. Besides, the Blackstone is a conveniently located building with cheerful

apartments and a few foibles. If you simply must have the latest in cabinet technology, or you can't contemplate life without the whirl of a garbage disposal to lull you to sleep, then this isn't the place for you.

But, if you appreciate old buildings, relatively reasonable rent and the opportunity to complain a little, you should take a look at the Blackstone. Best of all—while your friends in other buildings are still trudging to campus, canteens strapped to their backs and compasses in hand, you have already been to school and back and eaten a sandwich.

## RENT SCALE:

Studio	\$360
Efficiency	\$395-\$485
One-bedroom	\$545
Two-bedroom	\$760

## AMENITIES:

Laundry facilities  
Walking distance to JHU  
Security entry system

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

Security deposit of one month and \$25 application fee

## RESTRICTIONS:

No dogs (cats allowed with \$100 non-refundable pet fee.)

## PARKING:

Garage, \$75 a month

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

None.



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# Charles Apartments

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If you aren't 21 and you don't have a fake I.D., then you definitely want to live in the Charles.

The Charles, located directly across from Homewood Campus on Charles Street, neighbors Wolman Hall; most importantly... it sits above P.J.'s Pub. Living in the Charles essentially provides a key to P.J.'s Pub for you, your friends and anybody else who you want to collect a cover charge from. The best thing about the Charles is its location. Besides being above P.J.'s, the Charles is a close walk to Eddie's Market, Royal Farms, Charles Village Pub, take-out foods, the dorms... you name it, it's close.

The location makes almost everything convenient. It's great for those times when you feel just too lazy to go to the library or to class (or to P.J.'s for that matter). It's simply too close to make an excuse. Living this close to Homewood is a good motivational tool to get you on campus and going to classes (except if they are at 9 a.m.)

So is location everything? Let's talk about it. The one problem about the Charles is its location. What? I just got through telling you how great the location is!

Well, if you have a car, then the location flat out stinks. Unless, of course, you want to shell out another sixty some odd dollars on top of your rent to pay for a parking garage for your car. The building itself is not even registered with Baltimore City for street parking permits. There are parking garages available through the leasing office but they are hard to come by. Additionally, directly behind the Charles is the Homewood Garage. If you want a spot there, then you had better get on the waiting list now! Yes, live in the Charles for its location but certainly not for its parking.

Didn't I also tell you how wonderful it is to live in such close proximity to P.J.'s? Well, just don't live on the south side of the building because you won't get much sleep before 2:15 a.m. P.J.'s closes at 2:00 a.m. and it takes about 15 minutes for all the bumblin', stumblin' and yellin' drunks to shut up, pass out, or go home.

Then you've got to deal with Baltimore City's police department, fire department and first-aid rescue squad on 33rd Street. If you are a city slicker or a heavy sleeper and can stand some siren noise, then the Charles is a

perfect place for you. If not, then beware.

Let's get to the apartments. The apartments, in general, are very nice. The more roommates you have, the nicer and more spacious the apartments become. I would recommend the outside corner apartments such as the -00 series, the -04 series, or the -08 series. These are all two-bedroom apartments that are situated on the outside corners of the building.

The corner apartments have many windows that allow for lots of sunlight to pass into the spacious living rooms. Pick an apartment that is higher to see the sunset over Homewood Campus. If you choose an apartment higher up, then in addition to the sunset (or sunrise), you get a magnificent view of the Beach, Baltimore City or Memorial Stadium.

But watch out, the higher you go the hotter the apartments get. Hotter? Yes, hotter. The Charles apartments are very, very hot. I have yet to shut my windows (I have four) and I have yet to turn on my heat (radiator steam heat). The floors are a nice hardwood, and are resurfaced before you move in.

The walls are hot, heavily painted and usually relatively sound proof. The ceilings are supposedly ten feet high, but I can't verify that considering I'm not even six feet tall. There is lots of closet space, roomy dining areas attached to the kitchens, modest entry ways, but no dishwasher! No dishwasher! This is an extreme drawback if you like to cook or just like to snack. Be prepared to wash dishes.

Washing clothes? The laundry facilities are in the basement and are usually in good operational order. The dryers actually leave your clothes dry too! Each machine costs one dollar per load. Oh, take your laundry basket with you when you leave or somebody else might. The rooms around the

laundry area are occupied by the maintenance crew. They are extremely helpful and very nice, and they really know what they're doing.

The Charles has anything from studio apartments to three bedroom apartments. Rent prices might vary considering that I am presently being charged \$20 more per month than is advertised.

## RENT

Efficiency	\$395-\$485
Studio	\$360
1 Bedroom	\$545
2 Bedroom	\$760
3 Bedroom	\$1099

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED

One month's rent, Security Deposit.

## RESTRICTIONS

No dogs, cats allowed.

## PARKING

\$75/moth for parking garage



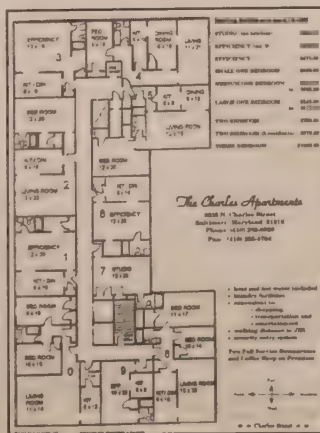
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# Dell House Apartments

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While many of the apartment buildings surrounding the Homewood campus seem to exude their own unique charm, the Dell House does not. A tall, bland rectangular monstrosity, the Dell, ironically, is situated on one of the more beautiful locations in Charles Village—right on the corner of 29th and Charles Streets. Across 29th Street is a park with a small playground and a grassy knoll, called the dell, that is often rife with dog walkers. Just across Charles Street is a catholic church with well-maintained gardens. Continuing south on Charles Street, Rootie Kazooties is on the left, about two blocks down, and a new Safeway grocery store about four blocks down on the left.

All these features may seem great now, but wait until the sun goes down. Over the summer, there was no end to the shady activity that went on in the park,

which had, at the time, a ring of trees and underbrush surrounding it like an impenetrable brick wall. After one particularly brutal incident, the city cut down all the trees and bushes, and now the inside of the dell is visible from the street, making it much safer for pedestrians.

The Dell House, itself, is a less than ten minute walk from the campus, and the JHMI shuttle stops right at its front door. The building has its own parking garage, but there is usually ample parking on the surrounding streets.

Apartments of differing sizes are available, mostly two and three bedroom, and the building has about fifteen floors, so there is usually something available. There are huge quality discrepancies between the individual

apartments, though; a select few have been recently remodeled, whereas others haven't changed in quite a long time.

Dell House kitchens have everything from a full-sized refrigerator to a dishwasher and a garbage disposal. There is a laundry room down in the basement.

Unfortunately, the security in the building is less than adequate. No one monitors the doors, which are locked, and it is very easy to sneak in because people graciously hold them open. Also, the doors to the apartments don't always have dead bolts, and thus could be forced open quite easily.

One nice feature about the design of the Dell House, the large windows, are more like sliding glass doors; they go from the floor to the ceiling, and let in great amounts of light.

The rent for the Dell House is quite moderate, considering the size of the rooms, which often include large dens and kitchens.

## RENT SCALE:

2 BR, 2 Bath	\$745-\$805
3 BR, 2 Bath	\$940

## AMENITIES:

Air conditioning, dishwasher, garbage disposal, cable ready.

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

Usually one-month security deposit, depending on credit.

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets over 40 lbs. Pets for \$15/month

## PARKING:

Reserved parking, \$50/month.

Also, some apartments have a master bedroom with its own bathroom.

In general, the Dell House is a good buy for someone who can enjoy the surrounding neighborhood, and is also street-smart.



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# Jefferson House Apartments

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**BY AMBER WATTS**  
*Special to the News-Letter*

Here's why I live in Jefferson House: I studied abroad first semester of my junior year, and, after getting home and getting scarlet fever, I had about two days to find an apartment before the semester started. My exhaustive search for a one-bedroom less than two blocks away from my boyfriend's apartment led me to Jefferson House, where they had a one-bedroom I could move into that week. This is the kind of building Jefferson House is—it's not bad, but if you have more time and opportunities, you can probably do much better.

My apartment is pretty big. I have a good-sized bedroom, a bigger living room, a sucky little kitchen, a bathroom and a foyer. I think everyone should have a foyer. My foyer is pretty much storage space for empty boxes and the third coffee table my parents gave me, but it's great to say that I have one. The kitchen is really annoying. It's long and skinny, there's no counter and you have to light the oven. Or, you have to make your boyfriend light the

oven. If you like to cook, don't live here. Also don't live here if you have a lot of stuff. I have a walk-in closet, but in addition to the bathroom medicine cabinet and about four kitchen cabinets, there's no other storage space. Hence my creative use of the foyer. The building consists of all one-bedrooms and efficiencies, and while I've never actually been in one of the efficiencies, I've seen the floor plans, and they're all smaller than my bedroom. If you're going to live entirely in one room, you're probably going want a bigger room.

One of the best things about the building is the maintenance guys. They're all really nice, and they come fast. This summer, my refrigerator stopped working and by that afternoon, I had a new refrigerator. Of course, you do have to call them a lot, mostly to unclog drains—the building hasn't really been remodeled since the 1920s, and the plumbing sucks. But they're really good about fixing it—temporarily. They're also really good about extermination. I think a guy comes in every month. I'm not sure because—and this may



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shock some of you—I've only ever seen one mouse (who we believe is communal to the floor) and one roach. That's it. And I'm not a neat person. I would hereby like to dispel the myth that Jefferson House is an infested rathole. I've seen more bugs in Wolman than in my Jefferson apartment.

Random amenity: You get use of the Hopkins House pool, gym and tanning salon. But if you walk from here to Hopkins House and back really fast, that's your 30-minute aerobic workout right there. So it's not that much of an amenity.

Even though the building is right across the street from campus, most of the people who live here are old. Several of them are at least moderately insane. Like the woman on my floor who refuses to get into an elevator with a man (or a 10-year old boy) because she's afraid of being raped.

Or the creepy woman who just stares at you in the elevator. There's also the group of old guys who sit on the steps all the time—they're perfectly sane, and they hold the door open for you if you're carrying something. However, they absolutely hate Hopkins students (which makes me wonder why they live a block away from Hopkins), and they'll bitch about it to your face. What this basically means is that under no circumstances can you ever have a party.

My major issue with Jefferson House is that you have to mail in your rent, and if they don't get your check on time, they'll take you to court for a first offense. Seriously—in December, they lost my check and I didn't know about it until I got a summons to appear in court three days later. They eventually found the check, after my dad Fed Ex-ed another

## RENT SCALE:

Efficiency	\$370-\$450
1 Bedroom	\$530-\$540

## AMENITIES:

Cable ready  
Laundry facilities  
Key access  
Intercom

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Gas & Electric

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

Security deposit of one month's rent.

## RESTRICTIONS:

Carpeting on area not covered by furniture.  
\$150 non-refundable pet fee (only cats allowed).  
\$15/month per cat.

## PARKING:

None

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

Swimming pool, fitness center and tanning booth are in another building (Hopkins House) but residents are allowed to use those facilities by paying fees.

one, and they canceled the court date, but they never apologized. It doesn't make sense anyway. There's a leasing office downstairs, right? So why can't I pay my rent downstairs? I don't get it.

What it all comes down to is that there are more annoyances than amenities. It's not a horrible place to live, but I would strongly urge you to look harder than I did.



# The Marylander

BY EVONNE SMITT

Special to the News-Letter

The spring can be a very stressful time. The semester begins with a rush after a busy intersession period, continues to speed up through spring break, and ends with a crazy bolt through finals. In the middle of all this, you usu-

ally need to find a new place to live.

After a heated search for apartments last spring, I finally decided to move into the Marylander. I had seen several different places, most of which were too expensive. The others were: too small, too dirty, or in a bad neighborhood. I settled on the Marylander because, although it has a few drawbacks, it rides the middle of all the issues that we worry about when we move into an apartment. The apartments are not huge, but they aren't too small. They are not cheap, but they are not too expensive. The building is not in the safest neighborhood, but it's far safer than some other places (in the low 30's) down on Charles and St. Paul.

Since I moved in, I have discovered that there are a lot of real benefits to living in the Marylander. One of the nicest things about the

building is the number of Hopkins students who live here. It's a small wonder, considering that it is almost across the street from campus and just a half-block to Wolman and McCoy. The building also has hundreds of apartments, so there is usually space for anyone to move in. I live in a studio, which is plenty of space for me. It's almost twice as big as any room that you would share with a roommate in Wolman and McCoy, and includes a bathroom, a walk-in closet, and a kitchen. All the facilities in the apartment are modern (if not brand-new), and I found the apartment in really nice shape—painted, clean, and in good condition—when I moved in. The bigger apartments are also well-sized, and, of course, more cost-effective than a studio.

Another nice thing about the Marylander is that they always seem to be working to improve the building. In the eight months I have lived here, they have added a brand-new exercise room, a system for "buzzing in" your guests, and extra locks on the basement doors for better security.

The maintenance in the building is really stellar; they always do exactly what I ask within a day or two of when the request is put in,

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which is far better than some other places I have lived. Further, the management is very cautious about "pest problems," with pest checks and treatments once a month. Although the building is not air-conditioned, they will install your air conditioner for a small fee, or rent one to you for slightly more. The heating system works well (some might say too well), but most of the radiators are adjustable, and happily, the heating and cooking gas are both free.

When I began to ask my friends about the Marylander, the typical drawback I heard was that it had thin walls. I certainly agree that the walls in this building seem rather poorly insulated, since I can regularly hear my next-door neighbor's answering machine pick up his phone, and one of my friends can even hear her neighbor sneezing. But in defense of the Marylander, it has really made efforts to fix the sound problem by instituting daily "quiet hours" from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m. And the building really does enforce these quiet hours. (If you are a person who likes to have a lot of late night parties, this building is not for you.) Still, if you are a person who needs to study and sleep in absolute silence, you should consider

## RENT SCALE:

Efficiency: \$455-475  
1 Bedroom: \$560-590  
2 Bedroom: \$720-760

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electricity

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

\$49 Security Deposit

## RESTRICTIONS:

No Pets

## PARKING:

2 Level Garage

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

Fitness, Restaurant, Barber Shop, Convenience Store, Doctor's Office, Community Room

that before choosing the Marylander.

In general, however, I think this complaint is a little overstated. If you have roommates, you will probably hear them regularly in the kitchen or the shower and hardly notice it. The noises you will hear living in the Marylander are no different. In my estimation, the few sounds you might hear as a result of "thin walls" are not much of a problem.

After living in the Marylander for eight months, I am proud to say that I have really enjoyed living here. If I am able to stay in Baltimore after I graduate, I will probably continue to live in this building. I have found it a comfortable, friendly, and safe place to live.



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# The Mayfair

3 E. 33RD STREET  
410-532-8580

News-Letter Staff

There are three great things about living in the Mayfair: Perfect location, perfect location, perfect location. It is literally five minutes away from any class. It's close to everything: Sam's, the video store, Royal Farms, and the more competitively priced University Mini Mart. Additionally, the maintenance man is awesome.

Plus, the exterminator is really friendly (we've even watched the *Maury Povich Show* with him).

On the downside, there are millions and millions of reasons to steer clear of the Mayfair: Wawa, Wawa, and Wawa for starters. Normally, we might feel differently, but it's that time of year and rush activities tend to be a little noisy.

The Royal Farms bell, which may seem to be at a reasonable volume when you are the one activating it, can honestly keep a person up nights. Din don, din don—it's enough to drive you mad. Also, there are reasons for the friendly exterminator to come other than our delightful company and Maury. For all you pre-meds looking to expand your supply of lab fodder, bring your traps and come on down. Honestly, when we throw out the trash, we can actually hear the rats cheering.

Seriously though, overall we like it here. First of all, there are no adults living here. A lot of students that live off campus have to perpetually fight with their older neighbors who don't appreciate the art of noise the way we do. We never have that problem, and

there are no RA's either, so it's like the island in *Lord of the Flies*. In a good way.

There are three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen, a dining room, a porch and a living room in each apartment. And the rooms are HUGE. Everyone that comes over thinks it's really posh. We don't have to pay for heat or water, which can get steep. On the downside, if you have a 9 or 10 a.m. class, don't expect too much hot water. It really gets you going in the morning, though. (Tip: Sitting naked on the radiator really warms you up after one of those cold showers—and there are strategically placed radiators right in each bathroom). There are many, many phone jacks, too. Surprisingly convenient. The floors are nice and hard wood.

The only other concern that some people tend to have with the building is the security—or lack thereof. There is a pre-WWI looking lock on the front door, and I think that the combination of it is more widely circulated on campus than the old Orgo tests. We have never experienced a security problem, except once at the begin-



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ning of the year when a creepy looking man in a sweatshirt walked into our unlocked apartment. On the upside, he just looked around and then left. (I haven't stopped telling myself that he simply had the

wrong apartment).

We like it here. It really has everything a student needs, at a reasonable rent price. There are only eight apartments, though, so keep that in mind while doing your shopping.

## RENT SCALE:

3 Bedrooms: \$875

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

All Utilities must be paid

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

One month's rent

## RESTRICTIONS:

No cats, small dogs allowed

## PARKING:

No parking, but rent garage nearby

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

No recreational facilities



# The Peabody Apartments

205 E. 30TH STREET  
410-889-1451

BY JONATHAN SACHSMAN  
Special to News-Letter

First of all, I have to clarify something about the name of The Peabody Apartments. Originally, in the late nineteenth century, Charles Village was called Peabody Heights. The first apart-

## RENT SCALE:

1 Bedroom	\$375-\$395
2 Bedroom	\$570-\$595
3 Bedroom	\$630-\$695

## AMENITIES:

Controlled gas heat furnace.

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

All.

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

One month's rent security deposit.

## RESTRICTIONS:

None.

## PARKING:

On-street parking with Permit #12.

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

None.

ment building in Peabody Heights was The Peabody Apartments, built in 1906. Hence the name has nothing to do with the Peabody campus.

The current manager, Mani K. Pulimood, went to Hopkins for an engineering degree (he's now retired) and is very "student-friendly." He is extremely responsive to the needs of his renters, sending the handyman, Ray, to fix ordinary problems in a week or two. He comes in to work almost every day and his office is in the basement of the apartment building, so he's easy to reach. He's currently working on restoring the second basement apartment, and recently fixed all the broken windows that used to make the outside of the Peabody Apartments look like such a mess.

The general atmosphere here is relaxed and friendly. Renters' ages vary from 19 to 30, as far as I'm aware, and the building has relatively few apartments, so pretty soon you run into just about everybody who lives here. I'm not sure how many are students and how many work around here, but I know there are one or two Hopkins students and a few University of Baltimore students

living in the building.

As to the cost of living, rent is cheap compared to other apartment buildings in the area. Heating and electricity cost probably around \$50 a month, but I don't know anything about the average prices as the apartments have individually controlled thermostats. There is a washer and dryer in the building, but they cost \$1.25 and \$1.00 per load.

The apartments themselves are "1,000 to 1,200 square feet... one of the best rental values in the area," to quote Mr. Pulimood's brochure. They are very roomy, and are indeed "bright." I have noticed a few cockroaches, water bugs, silverfish, etc., but first of all, someone comes around to spray the apartment once a month, and second of all, I live in the basement, below the water line, where there generally are more bugs. The apartments Mr. Pulimood has refurbished are carpeted, but those he has not have hardwood floors, so you had better make sure your upstairs neighbors do not like to slam-dance.

The Peabody Apartments are on 30th and Calvert. This is good, because they are a block or two away from Eddie's and Video



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American. Also, they are easy to get to by car, though there aren't any parking spaces after 8 p.m. Unfortunately, the Peabody Apartments are right next door to that bastion of urban appeal, the Schnapp Shop. I appreciate being able to buy liquor and snacks till 11 most nights, but I don't appreciate the elements that drop in as soon as it's dark or the suspicious people who are always on the phone in front of it.

Security in the Peabody Apartments is sort of relaxed, but it's getting better. In addition to the metal grates outside

my windows, there were only two enormous, heavy oak doors in the past to protect residents from the outside world. Mr. Pulimood has installed ADT, an electronic alarm system. Also, he or Ray is in every day, even during the holidays, so there isn't much worry about your stuff being moved without your knowledge. People get mugged on this street, cars get broken into, etc., but it's not as bad as Greenmount or 28th street. Heck, friends of mine have been mugged a block away from the Dell House!

## HOUSING GUIDE CLASSIFIEDS

### Homes for Sale/Rent

Federal Hill: Updated townhouse (furnished 2 bedrooms, office, 1ba, patio) ideal for visiting faculty or researcher, no pets, from December 19, 1997 to March 12, 1998 and from March 21 to August 26, 1998. \$800/1,000 + utilities + security deposit. 410-727-7794.

#### APARTMENT FOR RENT

1 Bdrm, freshly painted and improved walk to campus, 3205 Guilford Ave. #1. \$415 includes heat & hot water, 410-560-2883.

2 Bdrm, newly renovated apartment for rent. Walk to campus, 3205 Guilford Ave #2. \$438 includes heat & hot water, 410-560-2883.

Available for sublet. 1BR in a 3 BR/2 BA apt. at 404, Ambassador Apts, Baltimore MD 21218. From Dec. 25th '97-Jan 28th '98. Rent \$310 (including water and heat) + utilities.

Contact Umang Anand. Phone number 410-516-5427 (O) 410-889-5620 (H), umang@jhu.edu.

3 BR townhouse with a family room. Features, new gas stove, ceiling fan, vinyl floor, refrigerator, washer & dryer, gas heat, c/c, new carpet, remodeled bathroom, 1 1/2 bath. Nice size backyard with shed. Call Earl and Sandy, 410-282-7252.

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Ellicott City beautiful, spacious 4 BR, 2BA single home on 1/2 acre landscaped lot in great neighborhood. Features new kitchen and baths, all appliances, washer/dryer, CAC, hardwood floors, large deck, good schools, in-law or roommates possible. Easy com-

mute. \$1450/mo. + util. Call 410-750-2648

Sublet: Available now. Large studio apartment at the Hopkins House (39th Street). 12th Floor with sliding glass doors to balcony. Rent includes all utilities. Call Terri at 410-889-3298.

Two BR condo in Mount Vernon. Attractive, well maintained building and unit. Hardwood floors, fireplace, skylights, deck, parking, AC, all appliances (including W/D). For sale by owner: \$72,500. Available Spring 1998 (negotiable). Call 410-752-3674 for appointment.

Subleter needed for Spring Semester. Beautiful three bedroom spacious apartment with all wood floors and awesome roommates. \$305/month + utilities. Across the street from the lacrosse field at 104 W. University Pkwy. For more information call Joslin at 410-467-7816 or email joslin@jhuunix.hcf.jhu.edu.

Roland Park apartment for

rent. Spacious 1BR apartment in quiet, historic house with huge yard. Ideal for 1 or 2 people. Available in early December. \$710/month. Heat and water included. 410-235-3612.

Oakenshawe EOG, Sunny completely updated 5 br, 3 new baths, new island kitchen, private brick courtyard, 2 car garage with remote entry, \$109,000. 410-243-1194.

Twin bed, sofa bed, entertainment center, tables, tv, vacuum cleaner, carpets, air conditioner & more 18 months old. OBO. 410-662-7742, cmathis@welchlink.welch.jhu.edu.

Sunny, secure, sophisticated. 2 bed/2 bath, central a/c, balcony with city skyline view. Rooftop pool, 24 hr. doorman. University One. (410)-235-6024.

Free furnished efficiency (off N.Charles & 39th) plus stipend in exchange 16 hours weekly mothers/fathers "helper." Errands, light housekeeping, childcare. Must be non-smoking JHU student with car. 410-

467-0800.

ROOM FOR RENT! Available Sept 1: 3 rooms, from \$225/mo. Charles Village Rowhouse. Laundry room. 1 w/shared Bathroom, 2 w/private bathroom. unfurnished bedrooms, furnished house. security deposit. req'd, year-long lease. NO SMOKERS! Contact Paul: paulidin@jhu.edu or (410)235-5181

Across from JHMI security, completely renovated, large 3BR, 2.5BA, \$250/room+utils., 410-534-7954.

Apartment near JHU/Union Memorial Hospital. \$450 + 1/3 utilities. (301) 236-9834 or (410) 617-2898.

APARTMENT FOR RENT-Bright, first floor apartment with 1 Bdrm. Large rear yard. Walk to campus. 3205 Guilford Ave. \$460 + electric. Heat, hot water included. 410-560-2883.



# Saint Paul Court

BY DERF WAINKER  
Special to the News-Letter

When I was a freshman, I used to grab the bars of the outer gate of the Saint Paul Court apartments and peer in, imagining what it was like inside. It seemed like an Italian villa lost in the midst of Charles Village. A European courtyard rife with fountains, trees and a gazebo.

Well, I'm on the inside now, and I can tell you what it's like—for real.

Saint Paul Court is made up of eight buildings. There are usually eight apartments in each building, with two apartments per floor. There are no elevators, so moving in might be tricky.

Frequently, I'll receive my neighbors' mail and vice-versa. Management is supposed to alert you when you have a parcel, but often a very long time goes by without notification. In fact, if you go to the front office during normal office hours for whatever reason, don't be surprised if nobody is there.

Well, here's what you probably want to hear. The courtyard is very nice. There are a couple fountains, a lot of trees and benches and a gazebo for those times you feel like dancing around drunk singing "I am sixteen going on seventeen." There are also usually dogs running around barking outside, sometimes at ridiculous hours of the night. That

reminds me, don't cross the courtyard barefoot.

Even though all the buildings are connected, most tenants need to cross the courtyard to reach the laundry and exercise rooms. As long as you have to go outside, you might as well go to the Laundromat across the street. They have both better washers and dryers and more washers and dryers, and it costs about the same.

The cement walkways and the wooden benches are a bit run down, and the insides of each building are rather grungy looking. I can only remember a couple occasions that the maintenance staff have vacuumed the old, stained, red carpets inside. S.P.C. allows pets, and pet hair is a common find on the carpets.

Since I have been there, the S.P.C. staff has done some renovations. They modified the fountain by the entrance (which is now the habitat of a couple bright orange fish). They also enhanced the lighting in the courtyard.

S.P.C. has an exercise room with some sand-filled free weights, a few stationary bikes, a treadmill and a T.V. It used to be the gathering place of the Thursday Night Seinfeld Group, but you don't have to worry about running into them anymore.

S.P.C. is in the heart of Charles Village. This can prove a problem if you want to park your car, because S.P.C. is directly across the street from Eddie's, CVP, Sam's

Bagels, Nationsbank, C.C. Carryout and Orient Express. Images Café is actually part of the apartment complex, as is the Hopkins Store, a salon and a new health food store. S.P.C. is just a five minute walk from Shaffer Hall, but a morning class in Bloomberg might require a bike (which you can keep locked to the bike rack in the courtyard—beneath the big tree with the wind chime).

Christmas season at S.P.C. is a gaudy trip. Management strings flashing, colored lights everywhere so that the place is converted into a Mexican fiesta. The gazebo is wrapped in flashing white lights, and the pines are adorned with traditional Christmas lights. A wreath is nailed to the main door of each building (in case you missed the bloated, neon wreath hanging from the front gate), and mechanized reindeer are placed around the fountain. It's a lonely season for the Jews of Saint Paul Court.

In terms of security, each tenant is given a code for the punchpad out front that lets you in through the gate. The courtyard is usually well-lit, and neighborhood cops like to hang out across the street where they can keep an eye on the Nationsbank and grab a bite of Chinese food.

Neighbors are usually not a problem. I've lived here for over a year and I've only seen my next-door neighbor twice. Although the lease stipulates that you must

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410-243-8415

have carpeting over most of your floors, they don't enforce that. Unfortunately, the result is a lot of banging and thumping from upstairs. I have a faction of the Taliban living upstairs from me, and they drive me up the wall.

Maintenance is usually efficient about rectifying a problem. I had roaches and mice at first (a result of the previous owner's filth fetish, and the aforementioned Taliban), but maintenance cleared that up. You can put yourself on a list for a semimonthly visit by the exterminator. Trash is picked up three times a week. You only have to put your trash out on the outside landing.

S.P.C. management is a topically its own. They're not the friendliest people, that's for sure. It's not just their brusque manner that's a turn off, but I heard a rumor that the manager wanted to paint the entire courtyard—gazebo and all—red and white. All we'd be missing is the carousel and barbershop quartet.

On a more positive note, the management lets you rent air conditioners for the entire summer for a nominal fee.

What it all comes down to is this: My apartment is huge. I have closets for my closets. I can play frisbee in my living room if I want. And really, it is remarkably beautiful to look out your window and see snow falling on the trees and courtyard, to see the leaves changing color and blanketing the ground in autumn, to see people

## RENT SCALE:

Junior 1 BR	\$410-495
1 Bedroom	\$560-600
Junior 2 BR	\$650-700
2 Bedroom	\$735-750

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

One month's rent security.

## RESTRICTIONS:

Small pets allowed.

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

Fitness Center

sipping drinks or smoking a pipe in the gazebo on a warm, summer evening.

Do I recommend Saint Paul Court? In spite of everything, I do. It is a very relaxed atmosphere (meaning you'll be calling everybody by their first names, including Smiley the maintenance man). Who needs the congested high rise apartments along University Parkway? At S.P.C. you'll be close to everything, and you'll have plenty of room to strut around patting yourself on the back. Okay, so we don't have a pool on the roof, but it's not like you can't go over to your friends' apartment building to use theirs. And while they have to return to their apartment with the wonderful view of Hampden, you can gaze out the window onto your enormous yard. In fact, make a memo: Forget the bed, bring a hammock.

# Wyman Towers

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410-235-5600

BY STEVE KOH  
News-Letter Staff

Wyman Towers was built in 1926 and has 141 apartments. One bedroom apartments range from \$330 to \$350 and two bedroom

apartments cost from \$650 to \$725. The living room and the dining room are adjacently placed while the kitchen is separate from the rest of the apartment. The apartment offers a 24-hour maintenance service which can be reached via telephone. There is a brand new washer and dryer system in the basement which costs \$1.25 for each load. The apartment has a security entrance system which is used to buzz up visitors.

As students of JHU living at Wyman Towers, we have decreased summer rates of \$400 a month. The major problem with Wyman Towers is the temperature control system. The main water heaters of the building are not reliable and this is not a good thing in the mornings before class. There isn't an AC system and so the summers are hot and humid inside the rooms. The heat, however, is a bonus during winter.

Every apartment complex will have its problem of unwanted guests and Wyman Towers is of no exception. Mice and such are not a big concern but there are some insect problems. The plumbing system is very old but with the 24-hour maintenance

service, whatever problem that arises can be fixed in a hurry. The last problem I have found with Wyman Towers is the elevators, which tend to lose their reliability from time to time.

The location of Wyman Towers is perhaps its greatest asset. It is on 3100 St. Paul Street and is across the street from Eddie's Market and the Homewood. Video American is also located on the basement level of the apartment, itself. Most importantly, the daily walks to the Homewood campus take less than 10 minutes.

## RENT SCALE:

Efficiency	\$330-\$350
Studio	\$400
1 Bedroom	\$485-\$540
2 Bedroom	\$650-\$725

## AMENITIES:

Laundry facilities, Cable ready

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

\$300 Security Deposit

## RESTRICTIONS:

No dogs

## PARKING:

Off-street parking (\$50/month)



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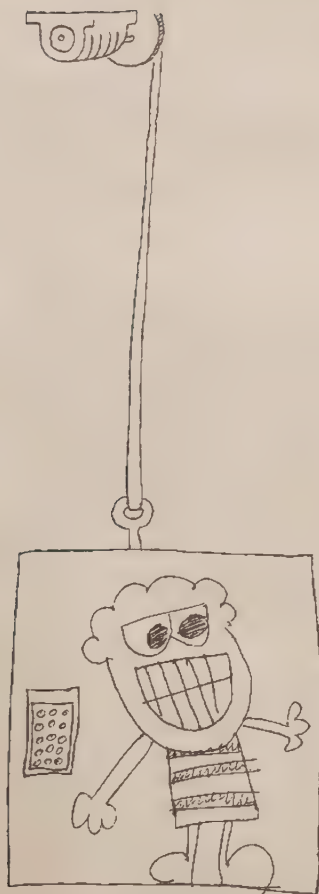


# SCAVENGER HUNT

*While you're out on your apartment search, have some fun looking for these items.  
Give yourself one point for each item each time you find it (unless otherwise indicated).*

*When you're done, drop off your scoresheet at the Gatehouse.*

*The person with the most points will receive their first month's rent (divided by 2,438) **IN CASH.***


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Asbestos

☐

Cute landlord (20 points)

☐

Cute super

☐

Elevator that runs smoothly (15 points)

☐

Hallways that remind you of *The Shining*

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Holes

In the wall: 1 point each

In the ceiling: 2 points each

In the floor: 3 points each

Mouse holes: 5 points each

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Old News-Letter Housing Guides (Benn thinks this is funny)

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Roaches

Less than 2 inches long : 1 point each

More than 2 inches long: 2 points each


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Total points

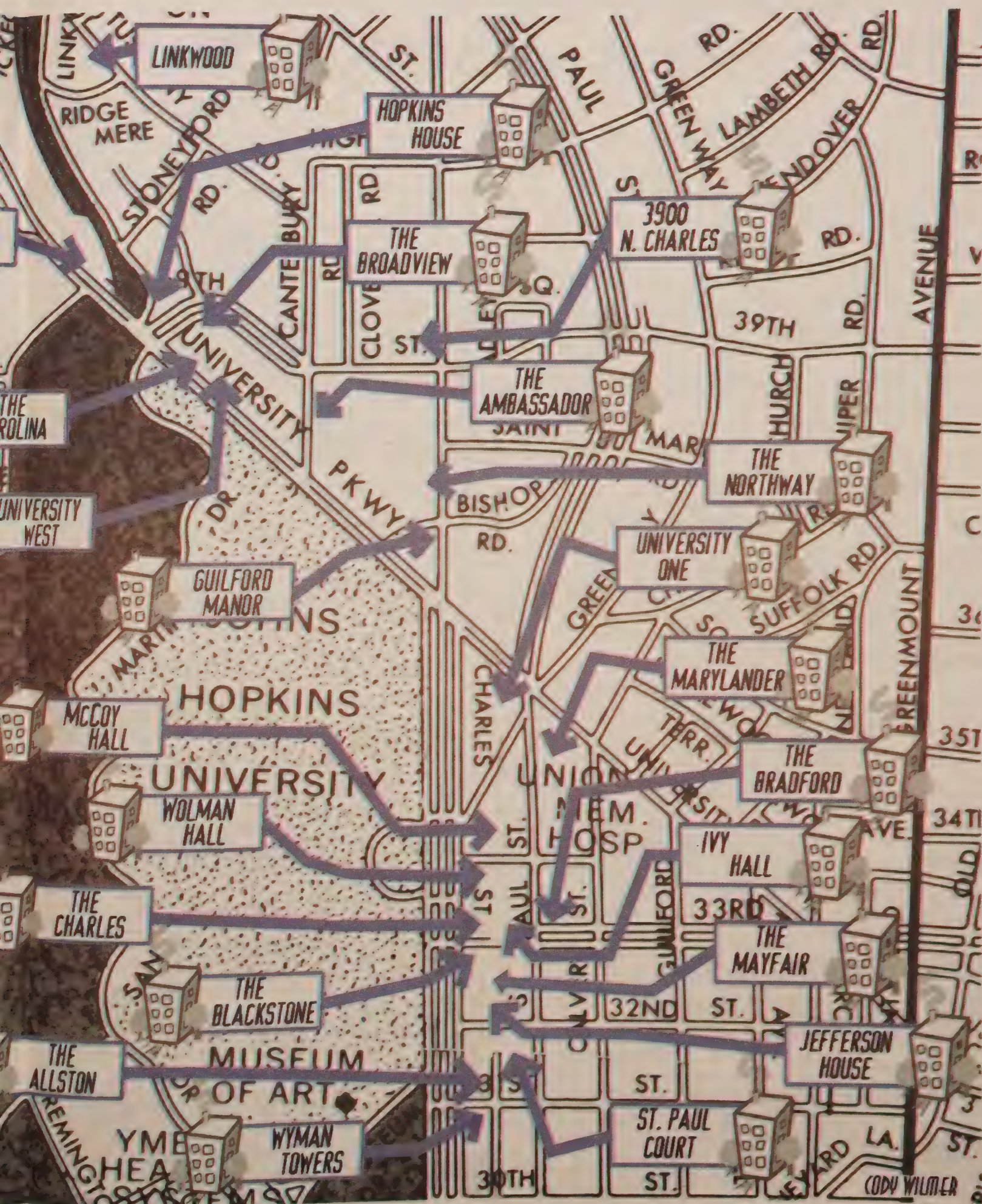


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# GUILFORD

## North of campus: Not much but food

BY ALAN GARSON  
News-Letter Staff

The area north of campus, encompassing the neighborhoods of Guilford, Roland Park, and Hampden, differs drastically from Charles Village and Wyman Park. Many popular apartment buildings including the Carlyle, Hopkins House, the Broadview, University West and the Colonnade, as well as a vast number of nice houses and smaller buildings are located in this area. A majority of the residents of these neighborhoods are not affiliated with the university.

This area tends to be less urban, which is exemplified by the fact that there are fewer conveniences and nicer living spaces. One benefit to this area is the proximity to the athletic center and the track; however, some buildings, such as the Carlyle, are quite far away from the main part of campus. There are no twenty-four hour stores in this area, but there are a few shops and restau-

rants.

The Hopkins Deli (410-366-6603), located in the Hopkins House, is the pillar of the community. In addition to a reasonably good deli counter, the store stocks many basic food items, alcoholic beverages, and dry goods. The Hopkins Deli is open from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily.

There is also a small convenience store located in the Broadview apartments on West 39th Street. The Good Earth, located on the corner of West 39th Street and Canterbury Road, sells vitamins and herbs.

There are only a few services located in the area north of campus. Among them are Cleaners Plus (410-467-7175), located in the Guilford Manor apartments, and Corbin's Salon (410-662-8700), located in the lobby of the Colonnade.

Despite the overall lack of businesses, this area has more than its fair share of nice restaurants. The Polo Grill (410-235-8200), located in the lobby of the



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Colonnade, is perhaps one of the nicest and priciest restaurants in Baltimore. It specializes in American cuisine.

Additionally, Jeannier's (410-

889-3303), is located in the Broadview apartments. This French restaurant ranked twenty-second in Zagat's survey of Baltimore restaurants. Furthermore,

The Ambassador Dining Room (410-366-1484), now an Indian restaurant, is located on the corner of West 39th Street and Canterbury Road.

## The Rotunda: The best stuff this side of campus

BY JULIET RISNER  
News-Letter Staff

Students discouraged by the lack of cafés, fast food restaurants, clothing stores, and ice cream parlors in the area around the dorms should realize they don't have to travel far to find such things. A less than ten minute walk to the Rotunda, or an even quicker shuttle, is all that is required.

### Meet the Rotunda

Built in 1921 for the Maryland Casualty Company, a growing insurance company, the massive structure—now known as the Rotunda—was visible for miles in any direction.

From the clock on the domed bell tower of the main Administration Building to its twenty-five-acre estate of tennis courts, fountains, a club house, a power house and even a baseball diamond, the center was a testament to the success of public service companies in the times before the Great Depression.

Today, from where it sits on West 40th Street, the Administration Building, now a center for shops and offices, hides until the last minute behind trees and buildings.

When it does appear, its large size and Modern Classic style of architecture, which combines red brick with elements of classical Greek and Roman buildings, such as tall Ionic columns, a dome and a triangular pediment, still produce a breathtaking effect.

Just inside the front door is the room which gives the building its present name. Columns of American Pavonazza marble line the eight-sided room, and guide the eyes from the floor of Verde Antique marble to the domed ceiling of leaded glass.

### Not a waste of space

Perhaps unfortunately, many Hopkins students rarely wander from the shops on the lower level of the Rotunda. The Giant Supermarket and the Rite Aid Pharmacy may seem like the only worthwhile stores in the building, but a closer look proves otherwise.

Down the corridors from these two are Gordon's Booksellers, the Darkroom (photography, picture frames), Recordmasters, the Bead (clothing and accessories), Great Earth (vitamins), the Charm City Diner, the Cook's Cupboard (household supplies), Tommilson's Craft Collection, TCBY Yogurt,

Radio Shack, Hair Cuttery, Rotunda Opticals, Rotunda Liquors and many others.

The upstairs level may not invite the kind of mall traffic that exists downstairs, but that is no reason for students to overlook the level as empty space. In fact, lots of useful things may be waiting behind the rows of closed doors.

### Upstairs

For those students who may have a hard time finding quiet

*Lots of useful things may be waiting behind the rows of closed doors.*

places to read and study, a trip to the second level of the Rotunda may be beneficial.

Accessible from either the main entrance or the stairway near the Giant, the Christian Science Reading Room provides a

well-lit, comfortable and quiet reading area for anyone who needs one. Attendant Lessie Smalls recalls that the Reading Room has "had a few" Hopkins students as guests, and many have brought books and studied for exams.

"The [Christian Science] Reading Room is basically a library for quiet study of the Bible, and for meditation," said Smalls, who explained that the idea of the Room stems from Jesus' desire to find a quiet place to study and pray, as recorded in the King James version of the Bible.

U.S. Senator Barbara Mikulski (D-Maryland) has an office in the upper levels of the Rotunda. Matt Erickson, who works in the office, explained that regular volunteer positions are available at the office for the next year.

Parallel involvement on the Hopkins campus is also a possibility, as Erickson mentioned that volunteers will probably come to Hopkins to hand out stickers and to recruit. Any student who wishes to gain campaign experience is welcome to call 410-261-8683 in order to get involved.

Country station 93.1 FM, based in the upper levels of the Rotunda, has much to offer Hopkins students. Sales assistant

Marie Wicks says that the station always employs four to five interns each year, and none have been Hopkins students in the years that she has been there. Most of the interns, working under the promotions staff, organize events, remotes (where the on-air personalities appear in person) and charity drives.

Students interested in a job at 93.1 can call 410-366-3693 and ask for Promotion Director Sheila Silverstein or General Sales Manager Jeff Thomas.

### On and on

These are just a few of the potentially useful offices and businesses in the upper levels of the Rotunda. Some unexplored in this article include: Parents Anonymous of Maryland, the Weinhouse Foot and Ankle Center, the Traditional Chinese Medicine Center, International Orthodox Christian Charities, and the Executive Office of WNUV-TV 54.

*To reach the Rotunda, take the shuttle or walk west on University Parkway and then veer left when the road forks. The Rotunda is on the left.*



# Broadview

BY JERRY SPRINGFIELD  
Special to News-Letter

The most striking feature of the Broadview Apartments is its size. The street address is on University Parkway, but it takes up half a block of 39th Street, where the main entrance to the building is located. With fourteen floors, a basement and four penthouse

apartments, the Broadview is one of the largest buildings in Baltimore by volume.

For several years, the building has been at capacity, so it may be difficult to find an opening. During that time, the demographics of the residents changed dramatically. While there are still many senior citizens in the building, new apartments are being filled by younger tenants. The new tenants seem to be a fairly even mix of graduate students, post-docs, medical students and undergraduates.

The Broadview was renovated about three years ago, but prices have not been passed on to the tenants—rent has stayed relatively low. On average, you can expect a very small increase every two years or so. It remains among the lowest in price of the apartment buildings north of campus.

The most difficult part of getting a Broadview Apartment is the income requirement—rent must be lower than a certain portion of your income. A parental cosign on the lease can be used so that Hopkins students can circumvent the requirement.

Perhaps the nicest feature is the friendly nature of the staff. The front desk never closes, and there's always one additional worker on hand to open doors or take care of emergencies. One desk worker, Betty, knows every-

105 W. 39TH STREET  
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one in the building by name and recognizes frequent visitors. Maintenance is outstanding—report a problem in the morning, and it's usually taken care of by the time the resident gets home.

As far as the apartments, think of only slightly less extravagant rooms than you'll find at Hopkins House or the Carlyle. Dishwashers are not standard, although I've been told that you can ask for a personal size dishwasher before you move in if you want to pay a little more in rent. Heat pumps are used for heating and cooling. Electricity is not included in the rent. Expect the highest bills in the summer—radiators as a backup heating system are generally sufficient in the colder months.

Carpeting is required to cut down on noise, which can be a problem if you have loud neighbors since the walls are rather thin. Cable television is available, and there's a roof antenna if you just want better reception for a one time fee of ten dollars.

As far as amenities, the laundry room has 12 washers and twelve dryers which take tokens that can be bought for 70 cents each. The price of laundry has not gone up in over a decade. There is a lobby store with a new manager that is determined to compete with Hopkins Deli. So far he's doing it. The first floor also has a

hair salon and the second floor houses Jeannier's, a four star (but pricey) French restaurant.

There is a recreation lounge in the basement but it has seen better days. The pool table has two sets of balls but the table is tilted with a tattered cloth and none of the sticks have tips. The piano is in slightly better shape. The room usually is empty. There's a small exercise room with weights, cycles, a Stairmaster and a treadmill that sometimes works. There is even a TV with a VCR to watch while working out, but you have to be aware of the time of day as far as noise goes, since there is an apartment right next door.

Many residents walk to the Homewood campus. It's a long hike to Levering or the lower quad, but very convenient to Bloomberg, Mudd, the Athletic Center and the track. There is a parking garage (with a monthly



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fee), but I don't have a spot in it because parking is available on University Parkway and 39th Street.

There are many advantages to living on the north side of campus—crime is relatively low, and Giant and SuperFresh are within walking distance. Of the apartment buildings in that area, the Broadview offers reasonable rent, well maintained apartments, and a very friendly staff.

## RENT SCALE:

Studio	\$440-\$525
1 Bedroom	\$545-\$650
2 Bedroom	\$750-\$815

## AMENITIES:

Cable ready, controlled room heat & A/C

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

One month's rent security deposit.

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets.

## PARKING:

Indoor \$75/month, outdoor \$60/month.

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

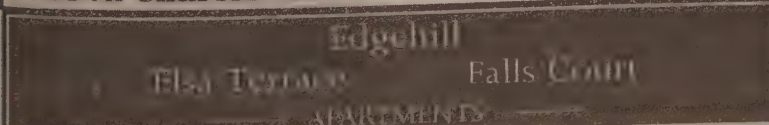
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# Cambridge Apartments

BY YOUNG CHANG  
News-Letter Staff

When you enter Cambridge Apartments, a pleasant-faced doorman will probably open the door as you approach. But this door, unfortunately, is probably being held for the old man with a

walker exiting as you enter. This old man will probably flash you a gap-toothed smile as he cautiously inches his way by, and will probably mutter responses to the doorman's "how are you?" as the doorman helps him into the car.

As you walk across the decorative lobby, you will probably be

greeted by at least three more elderly men or women lounging in the sofas, each perhaps accompanied by a nurse, and you will probably wave and smile as if you were already a neighbor because they will wave and smile just so. As you wait for the record-breaking slow elevator, you will probably talk about the weather with yet another elderly resident and then you will most likely hold the "door open" button a good twenty seconds as she proceeds inside.

3900 N. CHARLES STREET  
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These neighbors are sweet and the doormen friendly, but the pace of life at Cambridge Apartments is slow and quiet.

Formerly known as 3900, Cambridge, Apartments is located on 3900 North Charles Street. It is the large and wide dark red building — not Northway, not the really nice one with the big

black window which most people probably don't even realize is an apartment, but the other one. And it is just as it looks from its red-bricked exterior: not too nice, not too crummy, just very extremely ordinary.

Every apartment on each of the fourteen floors is furnished with half-wall long windows, and every apartment comes equipped with a climate control system. The bedrooms are generously spacious enough for two to share, and the bathrooms equally roomy, with even the luxury of a heat lamp.

The kitchen is actually kind of cute. With an electric stove and two mini-ovens built right above, the appliances look trendy and retro. Cabinets and pantries are plentiful, but counter space is scarce. The dining room, adjacent to the kitchen in most of the two bedroom layouts, also looks out a window and connects to the living room.

The Cambridge Apartments, though slow-paced and a good walk from campus, provide several services that most apartments don't. In the basement is a travel agency and a deli; in the lobby, a dentist's office as well as a hair salon. On the roof is a newly in-

## RENT SCALE:

Efficiency	\$550
1 BR	\$599-\$710
2 BR, 1 Bath	\$850-\$975
2 BR, 1 Bath	\$890
2 BR, 2 Bath, Den	\$1050

## AMENITIES:

Cable Ready  
Dishwasher  
Disposal  
Hardwood Floors  
Central A/C

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS:

\$250 security deposit  
\$150 redecoration fee  
\$35 application fee

## RESTRICTIONS:

80% carpeted floor  
No pets over 30 pounds

## Parking:

\$60/month  
\$80/month with valet

## Recreational Facilities:

Pool, Weight room will be available starting March.

stalled pool, and behind the apartment is a story-book garden with flowers, stone seats, and even a fountain.



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# The Carlyle

BY CRISPY (CHRIS VEE)  
News-Letter Staff

The Carlyle is located just a little further away from campus than Hopkins House. The walk on cold or extremely hot days can be painful, but it does get you some of that cardiovascular exercise your doctor recommends. It isn't quite far enough for Hopkins to give you a campus-parking permit, but with a little creativity and luck you can find parking just

south of campus around the Wyman Medical Center.

Living at the Carlyle is better than most people might tell you. The walls are a little thin, but no more than any regular apartment complex. There is plenty of hot water, although sometimes a little too much. Probably once or twice a month my kitchen sink would give nothing but hot and hotter water. Give it a day or two and it usually corrects itself. The toilets and sinks are old, and possibly outdated, but usually work well, just a little slow. The bathrooms are all blue or yellow tiled. Homey, and functional is all I can really say about them.

Initially the place will look run down, but after a few months of living it actually looks a lot better. The Carlyle is by far the most spacious of all the complexes I've ever looked at. If you need lots of closet space, the Carlyle is the place to be. We still haven't figured out what to do with all the closet space we have. With this much space we tend to collect a little more than we should.

If you like cooking most of the apartments offer decent space. All the kitchens are equipped with four gas ranges and a gas stove with a broiler unit. There's also a



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garbage disposal in the sink and a dishwasher. The apartments usually will have an old refrigerator, which gets really frosty. However, once you move in you can request a new one and they'll bring one in within a few days. That's another plus here, maintenance will address your concerns very quickly. If it's an emergency they'll get to you within a few hours. You can request new blinds

and all sorts of stuff. Most of the time they are pretty accommodating.

Probably one of the best things about the Carlyle is the view. All the two bedroom apartments offer excellent views of the surrounding city. If you live on the top floor you can see the Harbor. A few caveats about getting an apartment here. Start early. Go and view the apartments, they've

usually got quite a few that are opening up. Try to go for an apartment above the fourth floor. It will take you some time to get up and down on the slow elevators, but due to the Dragon Palace, the lower floors seem to experience a minor roach problem. I've even heard reports of mice, but from the fifth floor and up, you get a better view and no infestation at all.

## RENT SCALE:

1 Bedroom	\$650-725
2 Bedroom	\$920-945

## AMENITIES:

Furnished and unfurnished  
Cable, A/C

## DEPOSIT:

One month's rent

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric

## PARKING:

Garage (\$50/month)

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

Fitness center and pool  
Social room and study lounge

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# The Carolina

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BY BENEDICTA KIM  
News-Letter Staff

We had pretty much decided on an apartment the night before we went to see the Carolina, that little set of brick buildings with a lawn and big old trees in the front. But, we went because we had set the meeting a week earlier and thought that we might as well indulge ourselves. Little did we know that we would fall in love with the place.

Open and airy with high ceilings, the Carolina has big windows and wood floors, not to mention a grand mantel from what used to be a fireplace, radiators, a claw-footed bath tub, what used to be an ice block door in the kitchen, and an old gas stove and range. A nice place with character and history. And, for the kill, cheaper rent.

After the viewing in the morning, we had to decide fast. The apartment manager had another showing for the same apartment later in the afternoon. We spent "hours" sitting on the bench in front of Mudd Hall in deep discussion about the pros and cons of the two apartments in consideration.

What the Carolinas lacked

seemed to be what the other apartment building had. Security at the Carolina seemed to be minimal—the buzzer system at the front entrance of the building, the wire on the windows, and oh, the locks, the chain and the peephole on the door. The other apartment building had tighter security, including a front door person who would call the resident to let in a visitor. (We were most concerned about what our parents would think about the security.)

The rent at the Carolina did not include all the utilities, like the other apartment building, but we estimated that these costs would pretty much be the same, whether paid separately or all together.

The Carolina was an old apartment building that needed much repair, but the other apartment building was modern and relatively new. The other apartment building had too many regulations from signing up freight elevator time to move, to covering however many percentage of the wood floor by rug or carpet, while the Carolina seemed to not have any such rules at all.

As to the location and distance from the campus, they were about the same. Bottom line, the other



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apartment felt too much like McCoy, with tight enclosed spaces, and its view that looked out at the walls of the next apartment building did not help either. Sunlight and openness filled the apartment at the Carolina. It was too good to pass up.

Our cell biology lecture was about over and we had finally decided on the Carolina. One of us was to call the apartment manager to get the apartment and not lose it to the other people. We signed the lease after much hoopla about "understanding" it and paid our security payment around the end of January. We were already thinking of ways to decorate the apartment, getting our beds, desks and hooking up the phone and so forth. Before we knew it, it was May and we were moving into the first place of our own, leaving the dorms that we grew out of after two years.

Unfortunately, not all the repairs that we requested were done—not even the ones that were first initiated by the apartment management. Despite the rough start, the maintenance supervisor, who lives on site, and the apartment manager are friendly and professional. Be warned though, like everything else in life, some repairs may test your patience and persistence. There seems to be a triage (sorry, I'm a premed) on repairs, so don't be surprised if your leaky faucet takes a little while to get repaired. But, they will come to the rescue if you lock yourself out while taking out the trash.

The apartment building itself has gotten a new managing company and this has brought in some renovations. Big new mailboxes, a new garbage collecting company, and not to mention the new well-lit entrances, newly painted

with unleaded paint, with street numbers on the doors and a new buzzing system.

As to the security that we were concerned about, although we have felt a little spooked, especially in the interesting basement that my roommates say could very well be a scene in the horror movie, *The Shining*. (sorry, I've never seen it, nor do I plan to now) we feel safe and secure. Of course, we do keep alert of our surroundings and take precautions, etc.

As to the decorating, a white teddy bear with a green Atlanta Olympics cap, a Picasso-like soft Mr. Potato Head and an angry Marvin the Martian rest on the mantel of the faux fireplace.

## RENT SCALE:

1 Bedroom	\$500-600
2 Bedroom	\$700-800
3 Bedroom	\$900-1000

## AMENITIES:

Laundry Machines  
Cable Ready  
Stove

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

1 Month's Rent

## RESTRICTIONS:

No Dogs

## PARKING:

Outdoor (\$45/month)

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

None

# The Colonnade

BY ALAN GARSON  
News-Letter Staff

The Residences at the Colonnade offer an excellent choice for those interested in finding nice

## RENT:

Varies.  
1-3 bedroom units available.

## AMENITIES:

- 2 Exercise Rooms
- Pool
- Cable Ready
- Washer/Dryer in Apartment

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

- Electric

## DEPOSITS:

- Depends on apartment

## RESTRICTIONS:

- None

## PARKING:

- Included with apartment.

living quarters after moving out of the dorms.

All of the units in this building are condominiums; however, it is possible to rent an apartment from an individual owner.

The best way to find an apartment in the Colonnade is through a real estate agent. Most apartments are listed through Hill and Company (410-366-2224).

This seven-year old building offers many advantages. Perhaps the best reason for living there is its proximity to campus.

Each apartment is equipped with a washing machine, dryer, dishwasher, hot water faucet, grill top, central air conditioning unit, and heating unit.

Additionally, each apartment comes with two deeded parking spaces and a balcony. Furthermore, there is a fully equipped exercise room and pool attached to the hotel.

There are a few drawbacks to living in this building. Most residents are middle aged and tend to complain when there is the slightest bit of noise coming from an apartment after 10 p.m. A recent

late-night party in my apartment yielded more than a handful of complaints.

The only other drawback is that there is not a large number of college students living in the building, which can be somewhat disorienting.

The front desk, located on Canterbury Road, is staffed with at least two or three people all of the time.

There is also an alarm system installed in each unit and panic buttons in every room of the apartment. Additionally, there are security cameras monitoring every crack and crevice for unusual activity.

For these reasons, the Colonnade is probably one of the safest buildings in the area, which could be a very good selling point for the parents.

I should also note that the doormen could be helpful in many situations. For a couple of bucks they are always willing to run an errand or help with a miscellaneous project.

One time, one of the doormen even helped fix my car.

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# Hopkins House

110 W. 39TH STREET  
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## RENT (STARTS AT):

Studio	\$530
1-Bedroom	\$700
2-Bedroom	\$865

## AMENITIES:

Private full length balconies.  
Cable TV available.

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

None.

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

Based on credit & rental history. If good, no deposit for students is possible.

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets; cats only, \$15/month. Security of \$130 is non-refundable.

## PARKING:

Garage, \$50/month.

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

Pool free to residents.  
Fitness center with additional fee.

BY DOUGLAS STEINKE  
News-Letter Staff

Without a doubt, the apartments at the Hopkins House are among the nicest available to students in the area. Even the smallest studio apartments come with a spacious balcony, hardwood floors, freshly-painted walls (they paint each apartment before a new tenant moves in), a great view from the large window and stylish living.

Like everything in life, the Hopkins House has its disadvantages as well, and the first that comes to mind is the apartment's unpleasant management. I was nearly evicted this year because my father was ten days late paying the rent (and all this after never having been late on a payment in the two years I've lived here).

In fact, I was even summoned to the rent division of the District Court of Maryland one fine morning. I didn't end up going, but just being summoned was more than enough for me.



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Another time I brought back a small coffee table from my home on Long Island. Upon entering the elevator with the table, I was told that I should use the freight elevator and that I could be fined \$100 if I did it again. And finally, there are my curtains. They're a dark burgundy color, and the management at the Hopkins House doesn't like them. Only white curtains will be tolerated there, so be sure to read every line of your lease carefully before you go out and buy those expensive, colorful curtains.

Aside from the management, the other potential problem with the Hopkins House is that it is a bit far from campus. While it's not as far away as the Carlisle, it's

far enough that it has a different zip code from everything on campus.

If you like that extra ten minutes of sleep in the morning or need to visit your apartment frequently during the day and don't want to walk far to get to it, then the Hopkins House is not for you.

A car definitely makes life easier (trust me on this one), and you can even park it in the building's convenient indoor garage for a price.

The Hopkins House is close to the Rotunda, and on the ground floor there is an adequate laundry facility. There is also a pool and exercise room available if you pay the monthly charges.

Also on the ground floor is the

Hopkins Deli, which is more like a mini mart and sells pretty much everything from Jack Daniels to cheddar cheese.

Some things about the Hopkins House apartments need improving, or at least updating. The heating/air conditioning unit is downright antediluvian, but it works, and it doesn't look too shabby.

It's simply not as technologically advanced as it could be. I'm convinced that my oven is a vintage 1960s model; not that I ever have the time to use an oven in the first place, but a newer model would be nice.

The tenants in the Hopkins House are mostly older middle class types, but there is a fairly dense student population as well.

Most of the tenants are quiet and considerate, and they expect the same from you, so if you can't live without the Spice Girls at 11 p.m. on a Monday night and don't plan on using headphones, watch out. People will knock on your door (again, you'll have to trust me on this one).

This is my second year living in the Hopkins House, and I've enjoyed it. Based on the quality of its apartments, I would recommend the Hopkins House to almost anyone. Its unpleasant management, however, leaves a lot to be desired.

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# Guilford Manor

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BY CHRISTINA  
PAPPADAPOLIS  
Special to the News-Letter

The Guilford Manor is often overlooked, for it is dwarfed by its towering neighbors—the Colonade and the Northway. However, Guilford Manor definitely deserves recognition. As the building is located directly across the street from the University Parkway entrance to Hopkins, its residents do not have to hike to campus. The one-bedroom and two-bedroom Guilford Manor apartments are spacious, open and clean.

Recently renovated, each apartment is fully equipped with all the amenities to ensure comfortable living. Each apartment boasts wall-to-wall carpeting, and central air conditioning/heating is controlled by each individual apartment unit. The kitchen is outfitted with a dishwasher, refrigerator, in-sink disposal, microwave, electric stove, oven, and plenty of counter space. Moreover, there is absolutely no type of pest problem—no bugs and no rodents. But what a lot of the resi-

dents find most convenient is not having to carry their laundry to a laundry room in the basement; each apartment comes equipped with a washer/dryer unit. In addition to these features within each apartment, a large storage space in the basement is available to each unit.

Although the management of the building has recently changed, there has not been any decrease in the services provided by the management firm. There is an on-site maintenance man, who is friendly and ready to assist any of the residents. Generally, all minor requests are taken care of on the same day that the request is made. Residents are welcome to keep small pets.

Unfortunately, there are a few amenities that the building does not guarantee. The Guilford Manor does not possess its own parking garage. Parking is generally not a problem, however. There is plenty of street parking on either University Parkway or Bishop—the little street in front of Guilford Manor. The lack of an on-site management office also

proves to be a bit of an inconvenience. Any questions, requests or concerns must be called into the management office, which often results in a bit of a delay before action is taken. Furthermore, the lack of a management office makes it a bit of a hassle for residents to receive packages that do not fit within a mailbox or that require a signature.

Other inconveniences include the layout of the apartments; some of the two-bedroom apartments are not divided equally. In one apartment unit, one of the two bedrooms is large and spacious, while the other is only the size of the larger bedroom's closet! Moreover, the apartments on the front side of the building receive plenty of natural sunlight, while those on the back side of the building have their windows blocked by the taller neighboring buildings. Finally, one widely heard complaint is that the floors are squeaky. This does not pose much of a problem if one manages to rent an apartment on the top floor. If one lives on any other floor, however, the squeaky floor turns



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into a noisy ceiling.

The Guilford Manor is not a perfect apartment building—no building is. Although there are some problems with the building, all in all, these problems do not make living there miserable or intolerable. Rather, the benefits of Guilford Manor definitely outweigh any of the negative aspects. It is a very nice place to live. On a personal note, for this resident whose home is 3000 miles away, the Guilford Manor has truly served as a great "Home Away From Home." It is worth taking a couple of minutes to take a good look at this four-story apartment building.

## RENT:

1 Bedroom	\$675
2 Bedroom	\$875-\$895

## AMENITIES:

Washer/Dryer in apartments  
Carpeting

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

1 month security deposit

## RESTRICTIONS:

No pets

# Linkwood Apartments



A sample floor plan.

## RENT

Efficiency	\$445
1 Bedroom	\$560
2 BR, Terrace level	\$590
2 BR, 1st & 2nd Floor	\$645
2 BR, 1.5 Bath	\$655

## AMENITIES

Washer/Dryer in apartments  
buildings

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT

Electricity

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED

1 month security deposit

## RESTRICTIONS

No pets

## PARKING:

Each apartment gets 1 reserved parking space.

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Be prepared for the incredulous look on your friends' faces when you tell them that you live at the Linkwood. Sure, I admit it. It takes me about fifteen to twenty minutes of walking to get to campus.

Whoa! Don't turn the page yet. It sounds a lot worse than it really is. Of course, I complain about the distance once in a while but overall, it's not a bad deal.

If you are wondering, the Linkwood is hidden behind the Carlyle where it resides next to a small brook that runs along its length. It is composed of two buildings. Each building is subdivided into four "houses" and each "house" has six units. The walls are pretty thin, but I've never had a problem with noisy neighbors. Actually, it would amaze me if you can hear a mouse squeak.

No, there are no mice in the complex, meaning that I've seen none so far. The other question asked when apartment shopping is, of course, how many roaches will be residing with you. Surprisingly and very fortunately, I've

been introduced to only about one roach per month. (This is heaven compared to the stories I've heard.)

When first entering, visitors see a spacious living/dining room that stretches from the front to the back of the building. Branching off this is the kitchen on one side and the two bedrooms on the other. The bedrooms, each with a big closet, are nicely sized with the bigger one about 11 feet by 14 feet and the smaller about 10 feet by 11 feet. The bathroom is kind of small but it has a big closet and even a built-in hamper under the sink. Notably, I've never been forced to take cold showers due to the lack of hot water.

The kitchen is fairly roomy, easily letting you and your roommates maneuver. The oven and stove are gas-powered and there's the wonderful inclusion of a dishwasher, as well as plenty of cabinets. There are even small cabinets against the ceiling in the kitchen. (I still wonder why the Linkwood has cabinets seven feet above the ground where no one can get to them.)

Laundromat? No need. A washer and dryer, located in the

basement, are shared with the other five units so that waiting in line is unheard of. It costs \$1 to wash and 75 cents to dry. Also, in the basement are the storage lockers, one for each unit.

Each apartment is also assigned a parking space so you don't have to worry about getting any parking tickets. (This may be a good excuse to get your parents to spring for a car.) Another plus for the Linkwood is the reasonable rent.

Although there are no security guards here, it is because they are not necessary. Crime doesn't seem to exist in this neighborhood! Therefore, walks to the Rotunda and the plaza at

4000 - 4014 LINKWOOD RD  
410-323-8280



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41st Street are not considered a test of your bravery. Also within walking distance is the Hopkins Deli. About five minutes in the other direction, is a small, I mean really small, park and our neighboring school, Loyola.

This side of Hopkins is very residential. It may seem too quiet at times, but I think it's better than hearing police sirens every hour of the day.



# The Northway

3700 N. CHARLES ST.  
410-235-3700

BY THADDEUS WATULAK  
News-Letter Staff

So you've looked around at your housing options and you've decided that you prefer the relative tranquility and safety of Roland Park to the hustle and bustle of Charles Village. Only problem is you don't quite have the cash flow of some of our luckier classmates. If so then the Northway may be just the place for you.

## RENT SCALE:

- Studio \$350
- Efficiency \$400
- 1 Bedroom \$550-570
- 2 Bedroom \$675-750
- 3 Bedroom \$800-925

## AMENITIES:

- Cable ready
- Laundry Facilities

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

- Electric/gas (calculated by square footage)

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

- Security (1 month)

## RESTRICTIONS:

- Curtains required
- Rugs required

## PARKING:

- Garage and parking lot

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

- Sunbathing terrace

Boasting the lowest rents north of campus, the Northway gives you what is possibly the best value for your dollar of any of the nearby apartments. Rents start at \$425 for a spacious efficiency and include water and gas for cooking. You pay for your electricity and heating.

If you have roommates and want to bring the cost down further the two-bedroom apartments convert easily into triples. If you don't have a roommate but want company, pets are allowed for no additional charge with a refundable deposit. There are quite a few animals in the building so if you really just can't stand the idea of ever sharing an elevator with somebody's puppy you might want to look elsewhere.

For your money you get good maintenance, access to a laundry room that's never too busy (\$1 each for the washer and dryer), a spectacular view over campus of the Baltimore skyline if you're lucky enough to get an apartment high on the South side; and a friendly, dignified atmosphere in which to live.

The building also provides free outside parking for residents. Unfortunately, there aren't enough spots outside to accommodate everyone so if you have a car that you use a lot, paying the small fee for an indoor spot might

be a good idea.

The Northway's convenient location—just across the street from the athletic fields—ensures that the building attracts a lot of student tenants. Besides students most of the other residents are mostly young families or professionals.

Generally the tenant mix is a good thing: you don't have to put up with the staid, medicinal atmosphere that prevails in some of the retirement castles nearby and you don't have to be too concerned if your music gets a tad loud or your friends a touch rowdy. Of course that also means you occasionally have to tolerate your neighbors' late nights as well; though the thick walls ensure that the noise never even gets close to that in the dorms on their a slowest weekends. Besides, there aren't any fire drills.

The only really annoying thing about the Northway is the heating. For one thing the building is centrally heated so you don't have any control over your apartment's temperature. This means that it's nearly always a bit too warm or too cold and there's not much you can do about it besides opening or closing your windows.

Also, since the building is heated as a whole rather than by individual units your heating bill every month is determined by a

formula involving the percentage of the building's total floor space that you occupy. That means that your heating bill can be difficult to figure out from month to month. Worse, it can get surprisingly high if you have one of the larger apartments. Of course any heating bill is kind of irritating if you spent the whole month with your fan on to keep the temperature down to manageable levels because the damn furnace kept running when it was sixty some odd degrees out. If you ask the management when you're looking at the apartment they'll show you what your apartment has cost to heat in the past so you can have some idea whether it



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will be an issue or not.

Despite the problems with the heating the Northway is a really nice place to live. If your looking for a pleasant, affordable apartment in a good neighborhood and prefer neighbors with pets to neighbors with walkers, then this could be the building for you.

# University One

1 E. UNIVERSITY PKWY  
410-467-2300

BY GIANNA ABRUZZO  
News-Letter Staff

Over the past year and a half, I've endured many early morning wake-ups from drilling and hammering as University One has undergone much needed aesthetic and physical changes. New red carpets and freshly painted walls in every hallway, sturdier balconies and more laundry facilities are improvements that make me happy—especially now that they are complete.

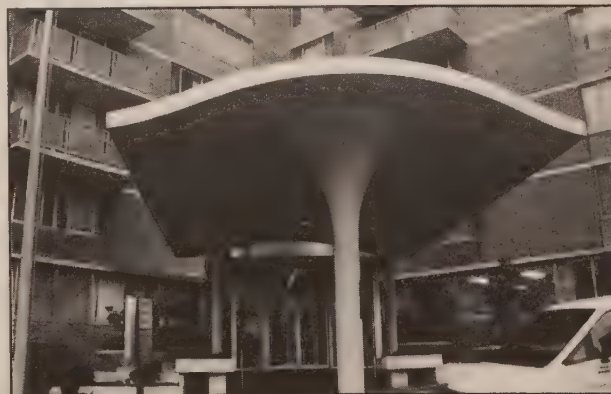
It's not that I had any major complaints about the privately-owned condominiums on the corner of St. Paul and University Parkway before the rehabilitation. The building is extremely safe, offers some decent amenities and is very close to campus (wake up 15 minutes before class, skip the shower, and you'll get there on time).

The strict security system requires residents to use Wolmanesque access cards to enter the building. All visitors must sign in

at the front desk with the doorman and wait in the lobby to receive permission to enter the apartments. Many residents and frequent U-1 visitors find the process onerous—but college students' parents love the fact that their kids are living safely in the big, bad city of Baltimore.

The 15 story building has 11 apartments on each floor. The units range from efficiencies to those with two bedrooms and two bathrooms. Some kitchens are small, but they all have dishwashers. The living room and bedrooms have central air systems adjustable for each room.

All utilities are included in the rent, so it's nice to use the dishwasher everyday and keep bedrooms toasty warm in the winter. The great big windows in University One apartments let plenty of sun in and allow for awesome views from higher floors. An added bonus are the small balconies outside most apartments above the third floor. From my balcony on the 9th floor I can see



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## The front entrance of the University One condominiums

Memorial Stadium, the MSE library and the ships docked near Fells Point all at once. At night, the city skyline is dazzling.

The rooftop pool is not big enough for laps but it's nice to take a dip in after running on the treadmill or pedaling the stationary bikes in the small workout room.

Another noticeable transformation over the past year and a half is the resident population. Senior citizens were the majority last year, but Hopkins students are quickly taking over—last summer about thirty more students moved in. On my floor this year, my three adjacent neighbors are students, though the rest of

the apartments are occupied by older residents.

The maintenance staff is very friendly and most of the time prompt in fixing any small repairs. Because the apartments are each separately owned, students who rent have mixed experiences dealing with their landlords. As a condominium complex, one thing is for sure: There are many rules that govern living here (i.e., curtains must be white, garbage cannot be disposed of after 10 p.m. and no pets allowed—hide the fish!)

Despite the rules, University One is a great place to live. TV stars think it's a pretty cool place, too: *Homicide* cast-members were

## RENT SCALE:

- Varies, depending on unit owner

## AMENITIES:

- Laundry facilities
- 24 hour door person

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

- None

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

- Varies with individual owners

## RESTRICTIONS:

- No pets

## PARKING:

- \$60 per month, limited spaces

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

- Rooftop pool
- Work-out room

recently spotted hanging out in the hospitality room of University One when scenes of the show were being filmed across the street.

While many residents own their apartments, the ones that are rented out to students usually turnover in May or June. To find out about available apartments, stop by the lobby and ask the doorman on duty.



# University West

BY EMILY SCHUSTER  
News-Letter Staff

With their green, golfy awnings and tiny, well-kept lawns, University West Apartments are quaint, to say the least. The two-building complex is small enough to be cozy. My building (106) has eight apartments on each of its five floors. Unfortunately, the decorating in the lobby is reminiscent of a hotel and in the other building (104), everything is unbearably pink. But you'll learn to live with it. Besides, the apartments themselves are lovely.

One of my favorite things about University West is that, as an old building, it's packed with

character. You'll get pretty light-fixture and the original glass cabinets from when the building was built in the 1920's.

All apartments have big windows and some even have sunrooms. Each apartment also has hardwood floors, freshly waxed before you move in. But wood floors do have their drawbacks—though everyone is supposed to carpet their apartments, some don't, and this was a problem last year when our upstairs neighbors decided to practice clogging every night at 4 a.m.

Though the building is old, the kitchens and bathrooms are completely redone, and it shows. Our kitchen has more cabinets than we know what to do with, and enough floor and counter space for both of us, plus a friend, to cook at the same time. The kitchen even comes with those wondrous modern conveniences, the microwave and dishwasher.

The bathroom, while not as undeniably great as the kitchen, is mostly satisfactory. There are plumbing problems from time to time, so keep a plunger on hand and be prepared for occasional changes in water pressure or color.

There is no central

air conditioning, but the management provides one window air-conditioning unit per apartment. Steam radiators keep the apartment very toasty, though they do occasionally switch off for no apparent reason.

The building's walls are not thin enough to pick out individual words of conversations going on next door, but you will know, for example, if your neighbor has a penchant for Melissa Etheridge or Monday Night Football. As for maintenance, you couldn't ask for a nicer staff, though you often have to ask several times before things get done.

The walk to campus from University West can be a drag, especially if, like me, your schedule requires you to make frequent trips to Levering or the Shriver shuttle stop. But for Physics folks, Bloomberg is very close by.

We don't have the convenience of Charles Village shops. But University West isn't far from the Rotunda, and it's a quick walk to Hopkins Deli, where you can buy all the bare essentials, like milk, bread, and Manischewitz blackberry wine.

The apartments are a bit pricey but you can get a deal, like we did, by renting an one or two-bedroom apartment that can be partitioned to make room for one more. We find that we still have more than enough room.

One thing that bugs me about

University West is the lack of security. We don't have a doorman and the fire escapes run dangerously close to some apartments' windows. Though University West is in a safer area than some other buildings, this is a city and things happen. Several people have been mugged outside our door and some apparent arcade junkie broke into our building's basement last year to steal quarters from the laundry machines. Speaking of which, neither my roommate nor I are particularly enthralled with the basement. We rarely go down there alone, and certainly not at night. It's damp and creepy and is home to many king-sized roaches. These pesky critters have yet to venture into our apartment (knockwood), but we keep roach traps out just in case. Along with the six-legged tenants, the basement is home to the washers and dryers (expensive at \$1.25 a pop) and private storage space for each apartment.

Another pretty big problem is the elevator, which delights in trapping unwitting tenants inside. The worst occurrence I know of was when my roommate got stuck in the elevator on her way to a job interview. Luckily, the porter heard her shouting and pried the doors open, but the elevator was stuck between floors and she had to climb out in her skirt and suit jacket.

Some less crucial inconven-

iences include the lack of parking and recycling facilities. You can find ways to get around these problems, though. My roommate rents space for her car in a garage. And after a year of environmental irresponsibility, I've started lugging my recyclables across the street to a bin on the lacrosse field.

All in all, we've enjoyed living at University West. We've made a nice home for ourselves here, and I'm sure we'll be sad when the time comes to leave.

## RENT SCALE:

Efficiency	\$499-545
1 Bedroom	\$570-595
2 Bedroom	\$812-915

## AMENITIES:

Laundry facilities, dishwasher

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

Electric/Gas

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

Application Fee (\$25)

## RESTRICTIONS:

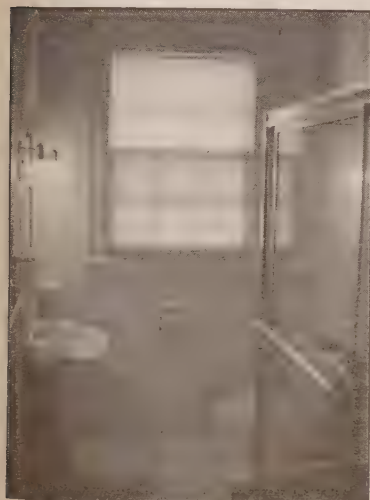
Cats only, no waterbeds

## PARKING:

On-street parking

## RECREATION FACILITIES:

None



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# Woodcliffe Manor

BY POLLY WITMARSH  
Special to News-Letter

Most people haven't heard of the Woodcliffe; my roommate and I hadn't until this time last year when we read about it in the housing guide. It's located in a safe neighborhood north of campus on 39th Street, behind the Broadview and Hopkins House.

Woodcliffe Manor, a 42-unit, three-story apartment complex, encompasses a large courtyard. Each apartment has a fairly large balcony that faces into this tree-filled space. Access to each apartment can either be gained through its "front" entrance in the courtyard, or its own direct rear entrance.

Our two-bedroom apartment has two bathrooms, a large living room and dining room. The kitchen offers more than enough storage and counter space, which makes up for its lack of style. The best

thing about the kitchen here is that there's a dishwasher. Closet space in our apartment is also plentiful. Our apartment has a linen closet and three large closets with sliding doors, and one beneath a set of stairs that is big enough to hold two bikes and all our other sport equipment. There is an additional private storage space in the basement for things you don't need in the apartment.

The laundry machines are also located in the basement in every other section of the building. You never need to scramble for quarters because they use tokens that can be purchased from the Broadview's 24-hour desk. (If you buy a package of 10 tokens, laundry only costs \$.70 per load.)

Utilities are not included in the rent, which means you pay for electricity and gas, which includes your hot water. The apartment has central heat and air conditioning.

Sometimes it's hard to control the temperature throughout the apartment. When the temperature is just right in the rest of the house, my bedroom will be freezing because its two sides form the exterior corner of the building instead of being sheltered within the building (whereas only one side would be exposed to the cold).

Something that you might want to note about living in the Woodcliffe: the lease requires you to carpet. You won't have to invest in wall-to-wall carpeting, but there's a lot of open space that you will need to cover. At a bare minimum, my roommate and I use an area rug in the main living room and dining room areas, and cover the rest of the walking space with runners.

As suggested previously, the Woodcliffe is run by the Broadview Apartments. There are many advantages to this. For instance, during the day there are people on the



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premises who are able to deal with plumbing and other maintenance problems. At night, any problems can be reported to the Broadview's 24-hour desk. Woodcliffe residents are also freely allowed to use the Broadview's exercise room.

Although the Woodcliffe is a little bit farther from campus than living in Charles Village, it's nice to live in a slightly safer neighborhood. For me, that's its greatest advantage. I have also come to appreciate being across the street from Hopkins Deli, located in the basement of the Hopkins House. There are lots of other little things to appreciate about Woodcliffe. The

apartments all have a lot of windows (which happen to be brand new), and so there's a lot of light all day long. After living in the dorms for two years, I came to really appreciate a sunny apartment.

## RENT SCALE:

2 Bedroom:	\$575-755
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## AMENITIES:

Air Conditioning, Laundry

## UTILITIES PAID BY TENANT:

All utilities must be paid

## DEPOSITS REQUIRED:

One month's rent

## PARKING:

Outside (\$50)



# ODDS & ENDS

## Expert advice: Visit the off-campus housing office

BY BENEDICTA KIM  
News-Letter Staff

A medical student from Germany e-mailed Miller Roberts, Student Housing Office Coordinator, to get more information on some of the various apartments around campus. With a new web site, the off-campus housing office is unbounded by distance and time zones to help Hopkins students get settled into the community even before they set foot in Baltimore City.

The German student was able to search the housing listings according to various parameters from rent scale to "dogs allowed" to a particular apartment building on a particular street. Since landlord information is not made available to the public, meaning to non-Hopkins affiliated persons, all the medical student had to do was contact the housing office and ask for more information.

But, if you happen to be in the neighborhood, you can just drop by the off-campus housing office on the first floor of Wolman Hall for information and assistance with non-university housing.

The office itself is no bigger than a dorm room, but it is chock full of information. Its walls are cluttered with maps and decorated with bulletin boards. Its counter tops are covered with binders of listings, sample documents on anything from security deposits to a model sublease agreement to a damages checklist, bus schedules, phone books, flyers, booklets on tenant rights and pamphlets galore.

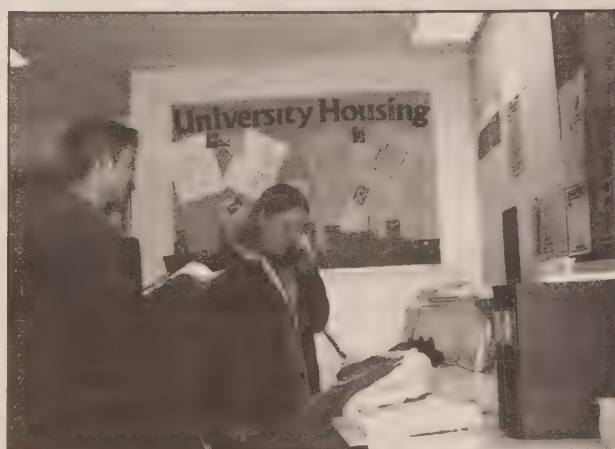
Sitting down on a stool in the off-campus housing office, you can look through the listings filed in thick binders, resting on the marble top-like counter. The listings of available housing are categorized as such: rooms, efficiencies, one bedrooms, two/three bedrooms, houses for rent/sale, roommate requests, and shares. If you find a place that you like, you can make a free call right then and there and set an appointment to go see the place. If you love the place after having seen it, you can get furniture rental information, storage information, utility companies and other "moving in" information right from the office.

Providing such information is only half of the office's service, the other half is assistance, especially in dealing with landlords. The off-campus housing staff is there to provide the proper information and resources that are available to you and to refer you to the proper agencies. As Roberts

points out, the tenants, especially students, are unaware of their rights and how to properly take care of the landlord situations.

The office also provides booklets on city and state laws governing landlord and tenant relations and tips and guidelines on tenant/landlord problems. It is important to note that the office cannot directly get involved in the situation between you and your landlord, but they can provide the support and network that you will need. For example, if you think that your landlord is not following state housing codes, the off-campus housing office can refer you to the proper agency.

Roberts sees another role of the off-campus housing office, which is to bring the Baltimore community and the student community together and help Charles Village become a college town. The office deals with "both sides of the coin," as Roberts put it, in getting the listings of available housing from the local residents or commercial leasing companies



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**Mick Smythwood and Holly Thesieres utilize the many services offered at this off-campus housing office, which are available to all Hopkins students and affiliates.**

and in distributing that information to the students. The off-campus housing office will be expanding this summer. For example, pictures will be added to the website and two computers will be available in the office for computer search in the office. Roberts

said that "possibilities are unlimited due to increased resources." But he also recommends other resources that are available because it is good to shop around and get an idea of what's out there. He recommends apartment publications and apartment search

services, especially if they are free. He also recommends getting advice from other students.

Roberts hopes that in addition to using the services at the off-campus housing office, that students will stay more in touch. He said, "Let me know what you're finding or what you're having trouble with," he said. "I would hope that this coming May, I don't have a chance to sit down."

I was standing in the middle of the office, with a camera in my hand, looking for a photo shot, when a housing staff passing by the door asked if I was being helped. Roberts looked at me and said, "See! We're that eager to help!"

### OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING OFFICE

Wolman Hall, Room 101  
3339 N. Charles Street  
410-516-7961  
Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

[www.jhu.edu/~auxent/offcampus](http://www.jhu.edu/~auxent/offcampus)

## How to stay safe in the country's sixth most dangerous city

BY DOUGLAS STEINKE  
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You wouldn't know it from the glossy admissions brochures, but one of the requirements for graduating from Johns Hopkins is surviving the streets of Baltimore. Since Johns Hopkins University is incapable of providing housing for its upperclassmen, chances are high that you'll be fending for yourself on the mean city streets at some point during your four years here. Before you decide where you want to live,



you'll probably want to do some research to make sure that your new neighborhood is a safe one.

We all know that Baltimore isn't exactly the model for safe cities, and despite its Charm City moniker, street criminals usually aren't very charming. Loyal News-Letter readers might remember that Baltimore was ranked the sixth most dangerous city last year in a survey conducted by *Money* magazine.

When I moved into the Hopkins House way over at the corner of West 39th Street and University Parkway, I thought that I had moved away from most of the crime around the Homewood campus. My apartment is in a decent part of the city, and I've walked over there at all hours and in varied states of sobriety. But, alas, one fateful Monday night last October some guy holding something beneath his sweater cut me off while I was walking on University Parkway. To make a long story short, he made a lot of money in just a couple of minutes. So much for my nice part of the city theory.

I spent the previous summer

avoiding pickpockets on New York City subways, and I even rode to the Bronx in a suit on the number 4 train once, all without incident. I've been to Philly. I've been to D.C. I even drove through New Haven once and passed by Detroit.

But I had never been robbed—at least, not until that Monday night in Baltimore. The best advice I can give you is to get a car and an apartment with an indoor garage, especially if you're going to be out late on a regular basis. It works for me. Otherwise, use the shuttles. They usually come within a reasonable amount of time—I promise. Okay, so maybe you could walk home in the 10 minutes it takes for a van to show up, but it's not worth the risk late at night. Just trust me on this one. I was robbed around 1 a.m., which I don't consider to be particularly late, but there really aren't a lot of people out in Baltimore at that hour.

If you can, walk in a group. You're less likely to get attacked in a group, the brainiacs say. Be especially careful during the first couple of months of school when

the robbers hope to find college students with wallets full of Daddy's money.

A word about the pepper spray and the cell phone that your parents insist you carry: go ahead, but you won't be pulling them out when some guy is standing in front of you with something sticking out of his sweater.

Let's not mince words here—you need to be careful in Charm City, even in those rare nice parts of the city. There are no Hop cops out there, and the city police are happy as long as people aren't getting shot up, so a robbery here and there doesn't really matter to them.

After I was robbed I got a little slip of paper with a number I could call if I thought I saw my guy walking around. I'm still trying to figure out whether I'm supposed to keep it as a souvenir or use it to apply for a tax deduction.

But like it or not, Baltimore is your home, so make the best of it. Use your common sense. Use the shuttles. Walk in herds. Be safe. As my father used to put it, watch where your little feet go. But whatever you do, have fun.



# We're movin' on up

News-Letter Staff

The time comes in the lives of all Hopkins students when they have to move out the comfort and luxury of university housing and into the unknown trenches of private apartments. One of the most difficult things to do at this point for a student is to learn to live life away from the lavish halls of Wolman and McCoy and away from the constant pampering of the generous cafeteria and housing staffs.

But before students are able to make such adjustments to their lives, they must deal with the agony of moving into their new apartments.

Probably every student who doesn't have an army of muscular friends will have to deal with one of the most common swindles college students face—outrageous moving

rates.

If you thought there was one simple rate to move all of your stuff into your new home, you are in for a huge surprise. There is no such thing as a simple hourly moving rate.

Before you hire a moving company to move your belongings, you will have to consider a variety of factors that include: how much stuff you are moving, how far you are moving, what floor in the building you are moving from, what floor in your new building you are moving to, who is doing the packing (you or them), what time of year and day you are moving, how long it is going to take to move, and how far the movers are coming from (because in most cases you have to pay for them to come here and for them to go back). Below are the rates of some moving companies in Baltimore:

Moving Company	Rate *	Minimum**
Prime Movers (410) 766-1415	\$75/hr	3 hours
Budget Movers (410) 526-9126	\$75/hr	4 hours
Magic Movers (410) 995-5959	\$75/hr	3 hours
B Morton Express (410) 523-4433	\$75/hr	2 hours
Ferguson Movers (410) 945-9000	\$75/hr	4 hours
George's Moving (410) 563-0417	\$450 for entire job	
Vincent Moving (410) 964-4383	\$95/hr	4 hours

\* These rates were based on moving about two bedrooms of furniture and belongings.

\*\* Most moving companies require that you use them for a minimum number of hours.



FILE PHOTO

# Ready, willing and table

BY GIANNA ABRUZZO  
News-Letter Staff

If you have the time and the transportation to shop around, you can buy, bargain, and search the attic for all the furniture you need to fill your new apartment and still have enough money to pay your first cable bill.

## The super cheap

If you live within driving distance of Baltimore, and especially if you drive a Suburban, take all you can from home. Or rent a U-Haul which can cost as much as \$200 for a far trip but may be less than the cost of new furniture. Ask your family and their friends for donations. I almost got a microwave oven out of my grandparents. Almost.

## Goodwill is good

Check the yellow pages for the dozens of second-hand stores in Baltimore where you can find a dining room table for \$35 or a black-and-white TV for \$10. When shopping, focus on the durability of a piece of furniture (sturdy drawers, even table legs) and have fun painting over the lime green later. Inspect uphol-

stered items with extra care: It is difficult to cover up stains or hide the stench of mildew.

Close-by, on 36th Street in Hampden, there are a number of second-hand furniture stores and quirky antique shops to explore. David's Consignments (910 W. 36th Street/410-467-8159) is a row house stacked with tables, chairs, and medicine cabinets much of which is in the retro 50's style. More inexpensive furnishings can be found at Kobernick's (835 36th Street) and the Salvation Army store (905 36th Street) also on 36th street. Value Village (5011 York Road) has a large selection of couches and armchairs and a few dining room tables, beds and mattresses.

## Classifieds

If buying second-hand seems sketchy, you might be more comfortable meeting the former owner—that way you have an idea of the kind of person who last sat on the couch or slept on the bed. Start close to home by perusing the classified sections of the *News-Letter* and the *Gazette*. Buying from your peers and professors ensures that you won't have to go too far to check out the goods or

to transport the items. And you're likely to get deals from sympathetic graduates who were once in your shoes. The catch here is that most items are for sale in April, May and June so you may have to find storage until you move in to your new home. Another option is checking the classifieds in the *CityPaper* and the *Sun*. Compared to the selection of old furniture of other students, you may find a much greater variety here. I bought a gas grill for \$40 in the *CityPaper* and saw (but did not buy) a pool table for \$45 and a water bed for \$100. You may have to travel a distance to find these rare items so always call ahead, bargain when you get there, and don't feel obligated to buy anything.

## The super-posh

If you're going to buy anything new, make it a bed and a mattress. You never know what has happened in a stranger's bed (and might not want to), and old mattresses are often home to bedbugs. For new furniture, I can only recommend IKEA (410-931-5400), located off I-695 near the White Marsh Mall. It's a gigantic

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# Storage: Pack it up, Pack it in...

BY SWATI RAWANI  
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## Baltimore Storage Co-Mayflower Agency

(410) 235-5900  
Charles and 26th Street

- All furniture stored in a warehouse
- Minimum \$30/month; 13 cents per cubic foot of furniture
- Furniture picked up from your apartment and brought to the warehouse for \$70/hour (4 hour minimum required)
- Three different insurance plans available (optional)
- Special climate control room for electronic equipment available
- If you want to get any furniture/item before the end of the storage period, a worker helps you get to the material, but there is an extra charge for this service.
- Minimum storage time is one month

## Chernock Moving and Storage

(410) 523-7297  
524 West Lafayette Ave.

- Special student rate: \$40/month for summer
- Regular rate: \$50/month
- Each person gets an individual room for storage
- Certain pickup days every month. \$75/hour (if they have to pick up more people in that area, the rates are lower)
- Insurance available (optional)
- No special rooms for electronic equipment
- No charge to pick up furniture before end of the storage period
- Minimum monthly charge for storage even if you store for less than a month
- Key available to you for your individual storage room

## Public Storage

(410) 323-9239  
4343 York Road

- \$1 + \$10 administration fee
- \$99 (10x10 room)
- \$109 after first month
- \$72/month (5x10 room)
- Several other options available
- Each customer gets individual room for storage
- Furniture pickup from apartment not available
- Insurance available (optional)

- No special rooms for electronic equipment
- Furniture can be picked up before end of storage period but only after the first month
- Minimum monthly charge for storage even if you store for less than a month; buy your own lock for your storage space

## U-Store

(410) 837-2833  
1450 Russell St. (near Camden Yards)

- \$24/month (3x3x10 room)
- \$61/month (5x10 room)
- Other options available
- Own individual unit available for storage
- Furniture pickup from apartment not available
- No insurance available
- No special rooms for electronic equipment
- Furniture can be picked up anytime before the end of the storage period
- Minimum monthly charge for storage even if you store for less than a month, but they credit you for unused portion of rent at the end of your rent period.
- Key available to you for your individual storage room



# Modern living hook-ups: Futility without utilities

BY EDWARD FENSTER  
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Once you've found your place to live, the hassle isn't nearly over. There's television, telephone, electricity and gas, and once you get these all installed, you can look forward to their monthly bills arriving along with the credit card statements.

The most important thing to know about utilities is that they are monopolies. That means they're usually slow and unfriendly, so make sure you get a utility installation at least three weeks before you move in. You can arrange for an activation date months in the future, but you can't arrange for one tomorrow.

## Telephone

Prompt telephone installation means you'll have a number to give the Registrar's office to print in its directory and get in the Baltimore phone books, which are printed every November with October information. Bell Atlantic is basically the only shop in town, so call them to arrange for service at 410-954-6260. Basic installation costs \$48.

The choices you will need to make are plentiful, but here are some things to consider:

**A second telephone line.** Whether it's because of your computer or your chattiness, it's useful. One benefit of multiple lines is call hunting, which automatically bounces an incoming call to a different line when you're on the phone. This way your roommate can field the call instead of you. Bell Atlantic offers call hunting for free (although you must pay for the additional line). Since call waiting costs \$4.10 per line, the incremental cost of a second line and call hunting is as little as \$8.92 a month. It is also possible to have call hunting and to put call waiting on the last telephone line in the call hunt.

**Unlimited vs. measured telephone service.** Unlimited service is \$20.01 per line per month and limited service is \$13.02 a month. Limited service offers 65 free local calls a month, after which each call results in a flat 8.5 cent charge. Therefore, if you place fewer than 147 local calls a month, or about 5 a day, measured service is cheaper. Remember that you can put differ-

ent services on different lines.

**Voice mail vs. answering machine.** Choosing between voice mail and an answering machine usually comes down to how easy you think it is to operate a machine and to retrieve messages remotely. At \$6.50 a month, getting a mailbox with the phone company for two years runs \$156, so buying a machine is probably more cost effective. However, Bell Atlantic's voice mail speaks plain English, offers high-quality sound and probably is a little more reliable than a machine you buy. Additional mailboxes cost more and the standard box offers 30 minutes of messages.

**Caller ID.** Originally only for the paranoid, this service has matured in recent years and can be used not only to screen calls but to see who called but didn't leave a message. Keep in mind that the name that shows up re-

lates you end up with some kind of plan. For benchmark purposes, if you pay more than 12 cents a minute for domestic long distance, you're probably paying too much. Also, if you have more than one line, feel free to mix and match different companies across the different lines.

**Directory assistance.** Make sure everybody you live with is listed in the phone book! Bell Atlantic offers one free listing per phone line and additional listings cost \$1.05 a month. But it's worth it. For those of you considering listing yourself with a first initial only: It doesn't keep you from being stalked. It only makes you look egotistical. If you're really concerned about stalkers, don't list. Otherwise, put in your full name. It will minimize wrong numbers, too.

**High-speed Internet.** The most proven option is an Integrated Services Digital Network line, which works over standard copper phone lines and offers about three times the speed of the fastest analog modems. ISDN is a measured service for outgoing calls, but depending on the plan, can come with massive amounts of free usage. ISDN also doubles as two telephone lines and can provide an extra telephone line if you run the computer's connection at half-speed. Modern units, such as 3Com's, can automatically drop to half-speed when an incoming call is received. For light to moderate usage, expect to pay \$25 to \$40 a month for the line and \$22/month for unlimited Internet access. For installation, call Bell Atlantic Info-Speed at 800-204-7332. For always-up access, call CharmNet at 410-558-3900 and expect to pay over \$200 a month.

Another option is the Asynchronous Digital Subscriber Line, which operates over standard copper phone lines, offers blazing dorm-style speed and is currently being tested in the Baltimore/Washington area. Bell Atlantic hopes to roll out

ADSL next year, so look for it. It's unlimited always-up access, usually about \$40 a month. In late 1998, T.C.I. also hopes to roll out cable modems, which are direct competitors to ADSL for about the same price.

**Long Distance.** This choice is dizzyingly complex. The plans, rates and frequent flier bonuses are always changing. Just make

sure you end up with some kind of plan. For benchmark purposes, if you pay more than 12 cents a minute for domestic long distance, you're probably paying too much. Also, if you have more than one line, feel free to mix and match different companies across the different lines.

## Gas, Electric

If these services are not included in your lease, you will need to arrange for them yourself. Baltimore Gas & Electric unsurprisingly offers both services to the Charm City consumer. Much like the phone company, BG&E may request a security deposit for a year if you have insufficient or poor credit history. Much unlike the phone company, BG&E only answers the phone during standard business hours. So plan ahead. For service or installation, call 410-685-0123.

It is difficult to estimate how much one will pay for electricity or gas, but unless you decide to air condition the outdoors in the summer, it shouldn't cost more than \$90 a month a person. A reasonable estimate is \$30 to \$70 a person a month.

## Television

The most important thing to know about television in Charm City is that T.C.I. Communications of Baltimore is awful. The picture quality is the pits, the customer service is uninformed and the billing is sporadic and occasionally inaccurate. If you want to subject yourself to this, call 410-649-9000. I just hope you don't get the woman who swore to me that the reason VH1 is in mono on T.C.I. is that VH1 only broad-

casts in mono. After hanging up on me twice, I had to get the manager of Viacom's Network Operations in Long Island on conference call. And guess what? VH1 is still monaural on T.C.I.

A much better idea is to go for an 18" satellite system. The only problem is that you'll need a southwest exposure to receive it. Satellite TV is crystal clear, has excellent sound, offers a much wider selection and is often significantly cheaper. Customer service also tends to be much better, because the satellite folks realize they are in a competitive market, whereas T.C.I. does not.

The major players in Direct Broadcast Satellite (DBS) are Dish Network (800-799-7175), Prime Star (800-PRIME-ST) and the combined force of DirecTV (800-DIREC-TV) and USSB (800-BETTER-TV).

Dish Network probably offers the best price-performance for a college student, but requires that you purchase their dish for \$200 (which can also be done on-line at [www.echostar.com](http://www.echostar.com)).

Prime Star costs a little more per month (about \$30), but does not require that you purchase the dish. The selection is still good and the quality is, as with all three providers, excellent.

DirecTV and USSB are for the absolutely crazed TV maestro. These folks offer such amenities as five HBOs, tens of music channels, about 100 pay-per-view channels and almost every professionally broadcast pro and college sport. But be prepared to pay for this service. DirecTV also requires that you purchase their satellite (\$200), which can be done at the Rotunda Radio Shack.



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fects who pays the bills, not who placed the call. So, attention fraternity boys: Unless you want every girl in the school to think you're stalking her, don't agree to be the official telephone bill guy!

Otherwise, caller ID is good for those who are prone to losing phone numbers. The service costs \$6.50 for numbers only, \$7.50 for names and numbers (termed "de-

# Furniture finding

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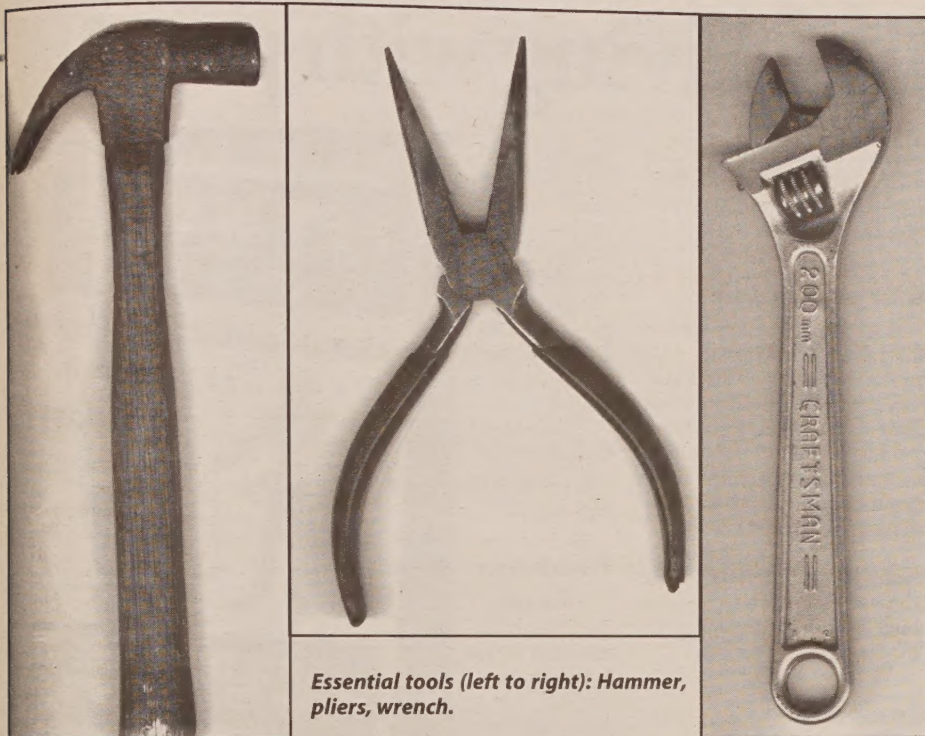
warehouse holding every home furnishing you could possibly want. IKEA furniture is very stylish, and inexpensive compared to a store like Ethan Allen. But for a college student, it is not cheap. The least expensive full-size bed is \$149 for the frame and \$149 for the mattress. When shopping at IKEA, make a b-line for the "As-Is" department where the prices for pieces with small nicks or scratches are greatly reduced. IKEA's delivery charges \$42 to the Hopkins campus, and all IKEA furniture comes unassembled and with somewhat cryptic instructions.

## Chez moi

An inventory of my own apart-

ment will prove that I'm an experienced shopper on the cheap. Take, for example, some of the best buys in my spacious living/dining room area. I paid \$100 for a slightly-worn three-piece set (sofa, love seat, wing-back chair) with a pastel floral and butterfly design. It took three weekends of searching *The Sun* classifieds section before I bought the set from a woman in Pikesville who was unloading her furniture before a move to Indiana. For \$50 more, she threw in a dining room table and four chairs that my boyfriend snagged for his rowhouse. From the "As-Is" section at IKEA I purchased my small dining room table (5X5) for \$30 and a wood crafts table that I use as a desk for \$45.





Essential tools (left to right): Hammer, pliers, wrench.

# Fix a dent and forget it

*Repairs and maintenance to keep your place in shape*

BY ALAN GARSON  
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Whether you live in the dorms or in an apartment, occasionally you will need to perform routine maintenance and make minor repairs. University Housing (410-516-7960 or 410-516-8282) will perform some repairs, including light bulb replacement, broken pipes and clogged toilets.

As the year progresses, you may notice that your freezer has gotten smaller, due to frost buildup. This is especially noticeable in the mini-refrigerators that the housing office supplies to dorm residents. To defrost your freezer, remove all contents, unplug the unit and use a hair dryer to melt the ice. Please use caution, as water does not mix well with electricity.

For more advanced projects, you may need to make a trip to a

may want to consider making the twenty minute drive to Home Depot located at the intersection of Joppa Road and Perring Parkway (410-882-1900). A visit to this store is worth the trip because of its large selection and its helpful service.

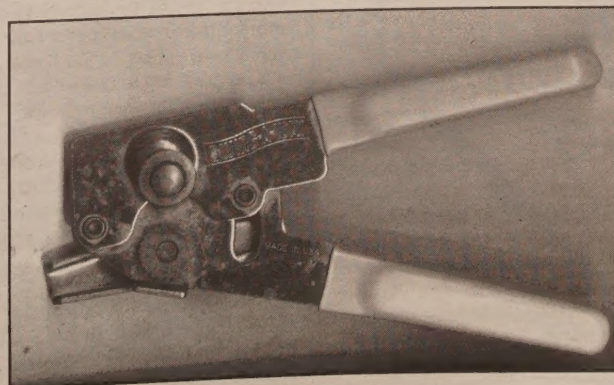
To repair pinholes or minor dents in plasterboard, purchase a small container of ready-mix plaster, a taping knife, a small can of paint and a paintbrush. Use the taping knife to apply ready-mix plaster to the wall, then paint over the repair.

If you notice that your room or apartment tends to be unusually dusty you may want to replace your air filter about once a month. New air filters tend to cost between \$1 and \$5 and are well worth the investment. The air filter is usually located behind a removable panel in the heating and air conditioning unit. In most university housing facilities, the panel

is below the thermostat.

It is important to check the size of your current air filter before making a trip to the store to purchase a new filter. To replace the filter, unscrew the panel, note the direction of the airflow arrow, and slide the air filter out. Slide the new filter in, with the airflow arrow facing the same direction and replace the panel. This is a big energy saver, which is important if you are environmentally conscious or if you are paying the electric bill.

For more information on some basic household fixes, visit <http://www.learn2.com/browse/help.html> or other web sites that provide information on home repairs. This particular web site provides detailed instructions on performing basic repairs including fixing a leaking faucet, fixing a running toilet and lighting a pilot light.



**Water does not mix well with electricity.**

hardware store. The closest hardware store is Sirkis Paint & Hardware (410-235-0700) located at 3827 Falls Road across from McDonald's. This neighborhood store has all the essentials, however it does not have a large selection of repair materials. If you need a hardware superstore, you

# And don't forget the condoms!

*Essentials for living on your own*

BY PILAR OBERWETTER  
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Moving out of the dorm means that you will need to revise and expand your end-of-the-summer school shopping strategy. Instead of looking through the Sunday circulars from only Staples and Office Max, you will also need to read those from Home Depot and Sears.

You think you know the obvious things to bring to your new house—a bed, a desk, pots and pans and maybe some ant traps. However, you will discover some of the household items that are most essential to successfully living on your own through a process of trial and error. Here are my personal suggestions of some things to make sure to throw into the family mini-van before it takes you to your new place.

1. Light bulbs: For some inexplicable reason, every single light bulb in our house has blown at least once. Although we are now experts at replacing them, we still have not learned our lesson and have made countless trips to the nearest hardware store. Buy them in bulk at Costco. I promise that you will need them all at some point in the next two years.

**Ant traps will not suffice for a hard-core roach invasion.**

2. More pots and pans: However many you buy at first, it will not be enough. You need them in the beginning of the semester when you are still excited to have your own kitchen and you throw dinner parties for your friends. You need them during finals when doing the dishes is not a priority. You need them at the end of the year when a roommate moves out and takes all of her stuff (and some of yours) with her. Just buy them. You will use them.

3. Condoms: You are not in university housing anymore. The common bathroom does not come with a bottomless supply. And if you actually are having sex or even if you just want to have sex, it helps to have them around.

4. Raid: Ant traps will not suffice for a hard-core roach invasion. In fact, buy more than one

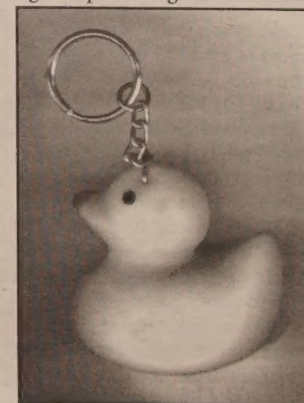
can of this wonderful substance. Our Raid ran out a month ago and we have been Windex-ing the little critters, and have come to realize that any substitute is inadequate. Also, Raid kills the roaches quicker. With Windex, you have to watch them squirm.

5. Screwdriver: Preferably electric, if you can manage it, but a basic hand model is perfectly respectable. Of all possible tool options, a screwdriver is the most useful to college students. You will need it to assemble your furniture. You will need it to install locks, ceiling fans, phone jacks, etc. You will need it to lend to your roommate. So either take your dad's or buy your own, but definitely have one in your house.

6. Microwave: Someone in the house will usually have one. If not, then everyone should pitch in for one as early in the year as possible. This purchase should be made before money becomes a sensitive issue, and all your housemates start to remember with amazing accuracy what they contributed to general house use down to the smallest detail. Such vivid recollections will be used to justify their refusal to contribute to the house microwave fund.

7. Blender: You can mix cakes with it. You can mix pudding with it, with or without alcohol. It is a basic household appliance. Your mother has one, and so should you.

8. Warm Hat/Gloves/Scarf: Leaving the dorms means that you are leaving on-campus housing. Yes, that is correct—you now live off-campus, and you will be walking. For some lucky ones, this walk might mean only one block, but for others it could be as many as seven or eight. And when you have an early morning class, you will need to bundle up nice and tight to protect against the chill.





# Pooch pal priorities: Living with pets

BY JULIE CILIA  
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First things first. Once you've obtained the off-campus apartment or rowhouse, you may want to complete the picture of domestic bliss with a furry companion curled up in front of your fireplace. Or microwave, if a fireplace isn't available.

But not only do you have to procure a pet, you have to make sure you are prepared to take care of that animal. Abandoned or neglected pets may result from poor planning on your part.

If you're ready, though, you will be able to provide a healthy home for your preferred dog or cat. Or bird. Or... ferret? Hermit crab? I trust the type of pet to your decision. But follow these steps to avoid some of the common pet pitfalls.

## Housing requirements

You already know that the

dorms do not allow pets. Many off-campus apartment buildings follow the same rule. Others simply specify no dogs, no animals over 20 pounds, etc. This may limit your housing choices, so know ahead of time whether you are willing to sacrifice the spacious, reasonably priced apartment with the skylight and rooftop pool just for you precious pooch.

Check with the leasing agent about the pet policy before you make final plans to move in anywhere. Also, make sure your roommate doesn't have a "no pets" policy of his or her own.

## Adopting a pet

Where can you get one of these furry or feathery companions without spending a fortune? The want-ads are a useful first step. Not only are pets for sale, but some generous souls even offer their loved animals to good homes

for free. Animal shelters are another possible source; and adopting an abandoned animal is worthy endeavor.

## Your pet's health

Once you've got Fido the hermit crab home, you have to make sure he stays healthy. Check out a few veterinarians and animal hospitals for quality and price before deciding on one. When you find a place where you feel comfortable about bringing your pet for medical care, you should take him in for regular checkups. Listen closely to what the veterinarian advises, and be conscientious about giving your dog any medicine the vet. may prescribe.

## Grooming

If you have a long-haired dog, you may have to find a local dog groomer to keep the tresses of your canine companion under

control. Remember, roommates are less likely to tolerate the presence of a smelly mass of matted fur than a clean, trimmed pet. It'll make your dog happy, too. Some animal hospitals also offer this service.

## Obedience

Some pets are particularly unruly, but others belong to owners who want to make sure they have definite control over their dogs. These cases generally end up at obedience school, where professionals will teach your dog everything from heeling to cool frisbee tricks, at least, so I've heard. My own dog, a good-natured but not overtly intelligent fellow, was left back and had to take his introductory obedience class again. We decided to forego the advanced frisbee stuff.

## Traveling

So, you have an unexpected long weekend and you decide to zip home for a quick break. What about Spot, your canary? You will have to make arrangements either to bring your pet home or to have someone care for him here.

If you've got a car, then it probably is relatively easy to bring your animal home. If not, you will have to alter your plans accordingly. Planes usually offer the option of a pet compartment, although trains do not.

Another option is to board your animals at a kennel. Remember to be very careful when choosing a kennel, as the people who run it will be entirely responsible for your pet's care while you are gone.

If possible, try to talk to other kennel customers before making a reservation. Is there enough space in the runs? How often are the dogs taken out each day? Are there any problems with fleas or ticks? Is the price less than exorbitant?

Living with a pet presents certain extra responsibilities, but most people find it to be extremely rewarding. So now that you are out on your own, you can



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# Parking up the wrong tree

*A guide to parking permits, meter maids and clean cars*

BY ALAN GARSON  
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Everyone complains about the parking situation around campus. It is not as bad as some would have you believe, especially if you know some of the tricks of the trade.

The easiest course of action is to rent a monthly space in one of the three lots near campus that offer such an option. The university-owned Homewood Garage (410-516-7960) leases spaces for \$45 per month to on-campus residents and \$60 per month to off-campus residents. There is currently about a one-year waiting list for a space. You can place your name on the waiting list in the Wolman housing office. If you cannot wait that long, Town Park (410-235-5400) leases spaces at the Colonnade for \$135 per month. Alternatively, The Mariner Garage located on Charles and 27th Streets, leases spaces for \$55 per month, however it is not in the safest location.

If you choose to park on the street, remember, the first rule of Baltimore parking is to obey all posted parking signs. The City of Baltimore employs an army of meter maids who derive great pleasure from writing parking tickets and towing cars.

Street parking is scarce commodity because of the zone system. On weekdays, you can only park in zoned spaces for two hours without a permit. Patrolling meter maids have been known to draw chalk marks on the tops of tires and then issue a ticket if the mark is visible two hours later. For this reason, it is important to remember that it is not a crime to clean your tires.

With a permit, it is usually easy to find

purchase a residential or visitor permit in the Baltimore Residential Permit Parking Office (410-396-3042) located at 20 North Holliday Street, Room 7. To purchase a residential permit you must present a current lease, valid identification and a vehicle registration. A visitor permit, which costs less and provides the same privileges, only requires a current lease and valid identification.

However, this permit is intended only for visitors.

If you live in Wolman, McCoy or the AMRs you do not qualify for a zone permit. However, you

may want to consider subleasing a couple of square feet from a friend of yours who lives off campus. You can then present the lease agreement to the parking office downtown.

a space, except on Sunday evenings. If you live within a zone, you can



finally think about getting that long-awaited dog or cat. And for those of you who are still living in the dorms, there's always that trustiest of companions, the pet rock.

## Adoption

Humane Society of Baltimore County  
410-833-8848

Maryland SPCA  
410-235-8826

## Health

Baltimore Animal Hospital  
410-433-2540

Cat Hospital at Towson  
410-377-7900

Towson Veterinary Hospital  
410-825-8880

Animal Emergency Center  
410-252-8387

## Grooming

Animal Instincts  
410-363-1717

The Barkin' Lot  
410-636-8678

Downtown Dog  
410-675-5225

## Obedience

K-9 Training Center  
410-575-7518

Mark Katz Dog Training  
410-539-3044

## Traveling

For Pet's Sake Ltd.  
410-337-3595

Dogwood Kennels  
410-944-2474



# Buying food outside Wolman

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What's the use of having a full kitchen if you don't use it for more than brewing coffee and reheating take-out leftovers? Now that you're thinking of living on your own, it's time to start thinking of cooking on your own. Believe it or not, cooking doesn't have to be an overwhelming activity. In fact, it's one of a few pastimes which allows you to be completely creative. Start out small (dinner for one), with simple recipes you loved as a child. Then, experiment with different ingredients and seasonings for a culinary style as unique as you are.

So, where can you buy groceries, the basis for your masterpieces? Although there are several stores close to campus where you can buy drinks and snack foods, only a few supermarkets are within distance of campus or the campus shuttles. Eddie's, located at 3117 Saint Paul Street, is a small supermarket which services the Charles Village area. Although the selection isn't fabulous and the prices tend to be a bit high, you'll find all the staples plus more. Eddie's is certainly the most convenient, easily within walking distance of campus (even with bags of heavy groceries!).

Giant, located in the Rotunda,

is a large chain offering a wide variety of both brand-name foods and America's Choice generic-brand products. Prices are quite reasonable, but Giant's produce usually lacks freshness. Giant is open 24 hours a day.

Safeway, located down Charles Street, is the newest chain supermarket in the area. Its employees are very helpful. Safeway offers great coupon deals, although prices are already reasonable. The store closes at 11 p.m.

SuperFresh, located at 1020 West 41st Street, is the other huge chain supermarket in the area offering a large selection and low prices. Sign up for a Shopper's Club Card and receive in-store specials. SuperFresh is open 24 hours a day.

Conveniently, both Giant and SuperFresh are stops on the campus shuttle route. Upon request, the shuttle will also take you to Safeway.

Of course, no kitchen is complete without an array of cookbooks. Start by asking your mom to purchase you copies of her favorites. In addition, both *Help! My Apartment Has A Kitchen* cookbook by mother-son team Nancy and Kevin Mills and *Cooking Students* by Eric Chudler are loaded with practical advice and tips for the kitchen-challenged or, at least, kitchen-inexperienced.

The Mills's cookbook, which is available in most bookstores, costs \$14.95. To order Chudler's book, send your name, address, and \$7 check (made payable to Cortical Concepts, PO Box 55253, Seattle, WA 98155-0253).

For those days when you're too lazy to cook, Hopkins offers The Homewood Plan, a declining balance meal plan similar to flex dollars, to students not living in the dorms. Students are given the ability to deposit money in an account and utilize the balance to purchase meals in Levering, Terrace Court, Wolman or the Snack Bar. Contact either the Office of Auxiliary Enterprises (410-516-8470) or the Office of Dining Services (410-516-8192) for more information about the Homewood Plan. Bon appetit!



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## Let's get cooking: Discovering culinary delights on the Internet

BY IRENE THAM  
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After two years of being on the meal plan, most of us find ourselves roaming the aisles of Superfresh or Giant trying to find items for a decent meal. Whether

or not this is a good thing depends on whether or not you can cook.

I, for one, had no cooking experience before coming to Hopkins. My mom had always cooked so I had never learned even the simplest tasks, such as

how to boil eggs. If you know how to cook, then being on your own is fine. But for those of us with limited experience, it is not that simple. As we don't have all the time in the world to prepare some elaborate feast, we must make do with quick and easy dishes that

do not require hard work to find ingredients. After a while, pizza and boxed macaroni just don't cut it. You need something else in your diet, maybe even some vegetables.

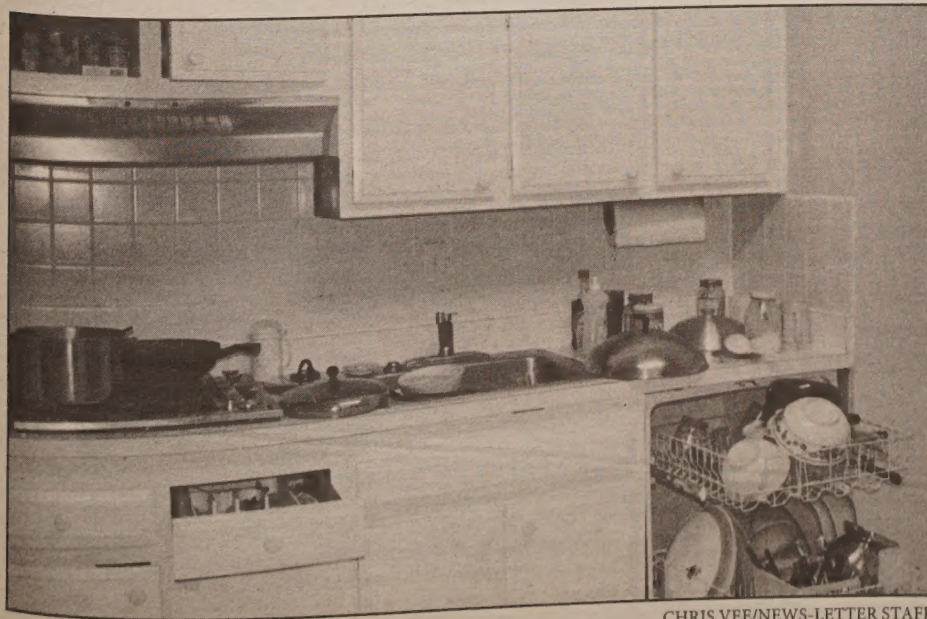
My solution was to use the Internet to look up recipes that I actually could use. The problem with cookbooks is that you would never make many of the recipes inside. On the Net, you can just browse through recipes, select what you want and print them out. This way, you can put together your own cookbook, organized the way you want it to be. My own binder of recipes has sections on onion dishes and biscuit recipes. Might I also mention that this is FREE. No need to spend \$25 for a cookbook when you can go to a site that gives you 50 varieties of chocolate chip cookies (<http://www.wester.net/Momz/cookies.html>). Try "Nancy's Cream Cheese Chocolate Chip Cookies." Chances are that you already have all the necessary ingredients around your kitchen for this yummy recipe and the basic steps are mix and then bake. What could go wrong?

A good way to begin your search is to go to websites of popular

name brands of foods such as Pillsbury (<http://www.pillsbury.com/>) and Kraft (<http://www.kraftfoods.com/>). These have comprehensive databases of almost every recipe you can think of. Search for something specific (i.e. chicken and sour cream) or just scroll through the dishes by category. These are good sites because they usually include color pictures and nutrition facts. Another plus is that you can sometimes limit your search to "quick and easy dishes" to eliminate, for instance, some fancy lamb dish that takes an hour to make.

If you know exactly what you want, use a search engine to look up your dish. I tried it with "banana bread" and found many variations of the recipe. These are less reliable because people can post their recipes on the Net without any testing by food critics.

So the next time you buy that five-pound bag of potatoes at Superfresh, take a look at all the possibilities. Mashed potatoes, potato pancakes (one of my favorites), roasted potatoes... You get the idea. So put down that box of Hamburger Helper and start looking!



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